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FAMILY'S FUNERAL ANGUISH

A GRIEVING daughter has been left distraught after being told her mother cannot be cremated in Harlow because she is too big.

When Jackie Marsh (56) died suddenly earlier this month due to heart complications her daughter Clare Thornhill wanted to honour her mum's last wishes, one of which was to be cremated at Parndon Wood.

But after making the initial arrangements with a local funeral director, Clare was shocked to receive a telephone call informing her that her mother, who weighed 19 stone, was too large for

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the cremators and would have to be taken to Braintree instead.

"I am absolutely mortified," said Clare (33), of Longfields. "My mum weighed 19 stone which I am not denying was big but there are much bigger people out there."

"It was already enough of a shock when she passed away, so for our family to now be told that we can't have her cremated where she wanted to

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HANDMADE: Pictured with their work are Ella Saddington (photo: HAR0730159) and, below, Oliver Davies (photo HAR0730160)



Children's gifts

AMONG the wedding presents received by Prince William and Kate Middleton will be some handmade gifts from Harlow youngsters.

Items made during a children's workshop held at the Gibberd Gallery in Harlow Civic Centre were sent to Buckingham Palace along with messages of congratulations.

Lynn Seward, Harlow Council's head of community and customer services, said: "It was great to see so much creativity on show."

"Harlow has a strong tradition in the arts so it was also rewarding to see the town's major gallery being used to produce new work!"

The youngsters also made their own Royal wedding souvenirs.

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Shopkeeper injured in struggle with would-be thief

AN elderly shopkeeper is recovering in hospital after fracturing his ankle while fighting off a would-be robber.

The incident happened outside the newsagents at Coppice Hatch on Thursday afternoon when the victim, who is in his 70s, returned from a cash and carry warehouse with a supply of cigarettes.

As he started to unload his car a man ran towards him and grabbed bags containing cartons of cigarettes. The shop-

keeper tried to fight him off and his wife, alerted by the commotion, rushed to help.

The robber dropped the bags and ran towards a car as the shopkeeper struggled to try to detain him.

The victim's 41-year-old son threw a brick at the getaway vehicle, smashing a rear window. The car is described as a silver or light blue Mercedes with the part index DVP or DPV.

During the struggle the shopkeeper

suffered a serious ankle injury.

PC Mark Goodings, of Harlow police, said: "The injured man had two operations on a fractured ankle. We have not been able to interview him yet and it is not clear how the injury occurred."

"It was obviously an extremely frightening incident for the family and we hope that members of the public can help us trace the two men involved."

"We want to hear from anyone who

saw what happened or saw the car driving away at speed. It would have been quite conspicuous because of the smashed rear window."

"We also believe that it jumped red lights as it headed towards Abercrombie Way and then towards Third Avenue."

Anyone with information should contact PC Goodings at the Harlow Target Team on 0300 333 4444 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Hospice lottery draw

THE winner of the £1,000 first prize in the weekly St Clare Hospice lottery drawn on Friday was ticket holder 750164. The ticket holder lives in Ongar.

The second prize of £100 goes to ticket holder 758408 who lives in Harlow. There were also 40 winners of £10 prizes.

Nightclub and tenpin boost to town centre

By VICKY LANE

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HARLOW'S town centre will be given a much-needed shot in the arm with the opening of two new leisure venues in Terminus Street.

Following a four-month renovation project, Libertys Nightclub will officially reopen this weekend, while the **Star** can also reveal that town centre tenpin bowling alley First Bowl – which shut suddenly last year – is set to reopen under new ownership at the beginning of the summer.

Although details of the bowling alley are still being kept under wraps, the nightclub will feature a new staging area, private party room, large dance-floor and chill-out lounge.

"It is the nearest thing you are going to get to a London club," said owner Steve Brooks. "There isn't a better club for miles around and will certainly provide Harlow with something it hasn't ever had before."

The nightclub, which occupies the former Fat Sam's site, will be open from Thursday to Sunday from 10pm until 4am and Mondays from 8pm until late. More than 300 acts have been lined up for event nights, including chart-topping DJs, live music performers and acclaimed tribute acts.

"Although it has taken a lot of work to get it to this stage, I am very pleased with the end result and hope that it will provide something fun and different for people of all ages who both live within Harlow and outside it," said Mr Brooks.

"There will be a lot of live music hosted on the new stage, particularly on Monday nights when there is nothing else to do in the town. And we have loads of great acts lined up for the upcoming months."

He added: "We basically hope to draw back the crowds that Harlow used to get in the town and help to shake off the bad reputation of trouble that the night scene has had around here."

Grieving family's funeral anguish

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be cremated is just devastating."

Clare, whose mother came from Yorkshire and lived in The Briars for the past 30 years, said she would have been horrified to know of the final outcome.

"Mum has never set foot in Braintree in her life! She made sure that we didn't have to worry about her funeral by taking out a policy and she should be able to rest in Harlow as was her last wish."

"In this day and age when people are getting bigger all the time they should have suitable equipment available to accommodate them."

"It's like they're saying if you think you're going to die soon make sure you lose a few pounds first. It's just disgraceful."

The crematorium will soon undergo a multi-million pound refurbishment after councillors approved plans to part-privatise the service last year.

Graeme Bloomer, head of regulation at Harlow Council, said new cremators would be installed as part of the agreement.

"We understand the family's disappointment when someone's wishes cannot be fully met," he said.

"We are planning new investment in the facilities at Parndon Wood,



DISTRAUGHT: Clare Thornhill with a picture of her mum

including the installation of new cremators, and that will include looking at how we deal with outside caskets."

"Harlow's current cremators were installed in the mid-90s and were the standard specification at that time. They can accommodate the vast majority of funerals, but very occasionally we get a casket size that is simply too big."

"Although cremations in outside caskets cannot be held at Parndon Wood, we are happy to talk to families about holding services and arranging for the ashes to be scattered or laid to rest here."

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Pals' trek to help quake-hit school

By VICKY LANE

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A UNIVERSITY student has completed an exhausting 100km trek in just over 24 hours to help raise money for a school badly damaged by the Japanese earthquake.

Steve Salisbury (20), of Upper Park, Harlow, took on the Dartmoor 24 Challenge to support a school located near the city of Sendai where a friend had been teaching when the earthquake and tsunami hit.

Steve, who is studying environmental science at Plymouth University, said his friend escaped unharmed but the school was badly damaged. Determined to do something to help, Steve and medical student Tom Pavelle (19) decided to tackle the Dartmoor challenge for which they had to walk the entire 100km circumference of the national park in around 24 hours.

"We are still suffering but really proud that we did it," said Steve. "After seeing the terrible pictures of the school following the disaster we both really wanted to do something to help.

"Our friend was teaching at the time and said that everything just started to fall off the walls. She had to cover the kids and try to keep them calm until it all stopped and said it was terrifying.

"A lot of the kids' families have been affected and it is still such a mess over there."

Steve, who is a member of the Territorial



UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE: Steve Salisbury, right, and Tom Pavelle

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Army and has had a lot of experience walking across the moorland, said he didn't realise just how hard it would be.

"We were doing really well and then got to about 20 hours in and everything just started to really hurt," he said. "You just get so tired at that point, especially if like me you'd hardly slept the night before in a very uncomfortable tent.

"It was also really hilly and rocky. That was what really killed us, the hills. I still can't walk down the stairs!

"We managed to complete the challenge

but just missed the 24-hour mark."

Steve, who is now recovering back at university, said he and Tom have already raised £500 for the school but would like even more if possible.

"This trek was all about raising money for the Japanese school and obviously the more money the better, so any more donations would be really amazing," he added.

To read more about Steve and Tom's adventures or to help top up their fundraising total, visit their website at www.dartmoor24.co.uk.

Philippa takes on the Three Peaks for cancer equipment

A NURSE specialising in the care of women with breast cancer is preparing to spend 24 hours climbing the highest mountains in England, Scotland and Wales to fund new equipment for Harlow's Princess Alexandra Hospital.

Philippa Dooher (48) is taking on the Three Peaks Challenge to raise money for new radiotherapy equipment which will provide more efficient treatment for breast cancer patients.

Philippa, who has been a breast care nurse since 1997, said: "As someone who has supported many women and their families through breast cancer over the years, I feel it is important that our patients have the best, latest treatment locally."

At present patients travel to



A HEAD FOR HEIGHTS: Philippa Dooher, left, will be tackling the Three Peaks Challenge by climbing Ben Nevis, top, Scafell Pike, above left, and Mount Snowdon, above right

the North Middlesex Hospital for 25-30 treatments of radiotherapy after surgery.

"Our new equipment would allow the radiotherapy to be given for approximately 25 minutes during their operation and let them return to

their usual lifestyle much quicker," said Philippa, who lives in Theydon Bois.

She is taking on the challenge alongside her sister and three work colleagues on April 29. Starting with Ben Nevis, they will move on to Scafell Pike in the Lake District and then Mount Snowdon in Wales.

Anyone wanting to sponsor Philippa can visit her fundraising page at www.justgiving.com/philippa-dooher0.

Cheer on medics at charity soccer match

HOSPITAL medics will be setting hearts racing when they pull on their shorts for a charity football match next weekend.

A team of consultants and GPs from Princess Alexandra Hospital will take on junior doctors in the fundraising game at Bishop's Stortford Football Club to raise money for cancer and diagnostic services.

Consultant histopathologist Dr Salam Al-Sam, said: "The event is an opportunity for families to come together and enjoy a few hours watching a competitive game for a good cause."

The match kicks off at 1pm on Saturday, May 7. Tickets cost £5 (free for under-8s) and can be purchased from the cashier's office at PAH or at the stadium gates on the day of the match.

Muslim group's cash donation to hospice

AN Essex-based Shia Muslim group have raised £1,000 for St Clare Hospice as part of their celebrations for the sacred month of Muharram.

During Muharram, Shia Muslims remember the martyrdom of Hussein, the grandson of the Prophet Mohammad.

Group member Naseem Valji explained: "Muharram is a time for reflection, learning and development of human values. This year we decided that we wanted to raise money in memory of Hussein.

"It was felt appropriate to remember an organisation which stands to alleviate suffering of people and we were only too pleased to be able to provide our support."

Giles Wright, communications manager for the hospice, said: "We would like to express our thanks and gratitude to the Muslim Shia Ithna Asheri Jammaat of Essex for the amount that they have raised."

Youngsters' stone carvings are top notch



CHILDREN transformed basic breeze blocks into gruesome gargoyles during a stone-carving workshop at town centre art gallery Gatehouse Arts.

They spent the day learning basic carving techniques from experienced artists based at the West Gate gallery and studios before putting their new skills to the test by making their very own mini-masterpieces.

The finished pieces will feature in the gallery's forthcoming exhibition which is due to open on May 21.

Exhibition co-ordinator Sarah Bracey said: "They all had a great time learning about carving and created some brilliant work of their own using the techniques we showed them."

"They each started off by sketching out their ideas on paper before starting work on the breeze blocks. The results were amazing."

FACE TO FACE: Left to right, Ella Fincham (11), Rachel Simon (11), Callie-Anne Bickell (12), Sarah Bracey, Hannah Ewing (11), Terri Potter and Enidja Brahimi (12) (photo: HAR0728838)

Parties in a scrap for council seats

By **CHRIS MOSS**, News Editor
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VOTERS go to the polls next Thursday in elections which will see 34 candidates in 11 wards battle it out for seats on Harlow Council.

Labour will be hoping to make further gains by repeating their success last year when they took six of the 11 seats.

Although that result was overshadowed by the defeat of former Labour MP Bill Rammell in the general election, it left the party just five short of the Conservatives' 16.

The Liberal Democrats – who last year lost seats in Bush Fair, Mark Hall and Staple Tye – face a fight to retain the two of their remaining four seats up for grabs this year following the decision by group leader Chris Millington to stand down.

Lib Dem candidate James Rideout, who is contesting Mr Millington's Bush Fair seat, faces a battle on three fronts with UKIP candidate Donald Crane throwing his hat into the ring along with Harlow Labour Party chairman Ian Beckett and Tory hopeful Samuel Stopplecamp.

Elsewhere, Conservative group leader Andrew Johnson (Church Langley) and Labour group leader Mark Wilkinson (Harlow Common) are both standing for re-election.

In Great Parndon, long-standing Tory councillor Patrick McClarnon is not seeking re-election after deciding to retire. David Carter, who was ousted from his Toddbrook seat at last year's elections, is standing for the Conservatives against Labour's Norman Knight and Liberal Democrat Pauline Bell.

The double resignation of former Tory councillors Lee and Sarah Dangerfield last November means there are vacant seats in the Staple Tye and Sumners & Kingsmoor wards. Andrew Shannon will be hoping to win the Staple Tye seat for the Tories but will face stiff competition from Dennis Palmer (Labour) and Cheryl Hickey (Lib Dem), while former Lib Dem councillor Linda Pailing is the Conservative candidate in Sumners & Kingsmoor where she will be up against Jacqueline Cross (Lab) and Roy Jackson (Lib Dem).

As well as the district council elections, people living in the Harlow West division of Essex County Council will be asked to vote in a by-election triggered by the departure of Conservative county councillor Lee Dangerfield, who was forced out earlier this year after failing to show up for any committee meetings for a period of six months.

The vacant seat will be contested by current district councillors Tony Durcan (Labour), John Strachan (Lib Dem) and Mark Gough (Conservative).

● NEXT Thursday's ballot will also see people voting in a national referendum on proposed changes to the voting system used at general elections.

They will be asked whether they favour the current first-past-the-post system or the Alternative Vote, where candidates are ranked in order of preference and the winner must receive more than half of the total votes cast.

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CRANE, Donald Arthur (UKIP)
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JOHNSON, Andrew Edward (Con)
LAWRIE, Kenneth William Munro (Lab)
NICHOLS, Brenda Rose (Lib Dem)

Great Parndon

BELL, Pauline (Lib Dem)
CARTER, David Frank (Con)
KNIGHT, Norman Richard (Lab)

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BONWICK, Laurence Francis (Lib Dem)
STEER, John (Con)
WILKINSON, Mark (Lab)

Little Parndon & Hare Street

CLARK, Valerie Jean (Lab & Co-op)
KERLEN, Neil James (Lib Dem)
PERRIN, Mark Louis (Con)

Mark Hall

GOUGH, Valerie (Con)
RIDEOUT, Lesley Anne (Lib Dem)
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JACKSON, Kuzna Mittana (Lib Dem)
STEVENS, Edna (Lab & Co-op)

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LIVINGS, Sue Jeanette (Con)
NEWENS, Thomas Arthur (Lab & Co-op)
THURSTON, Robert Keith (Lib Dem)

Staple Tye

HICKEY, Cheryl Yvonne (Lib Dem)
PALMER, Dennis (Lab & Co-op)
SHANNON, Andrew Jordan (Con)

Sumners & Kingsmoor

CROSS, Jacqueline Ann (Lab)
JACKSON, Merrick Roy (Lib Dem)
PAILING, Linda Janette (Con)

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Key role of PAH's urgent care team

HELPING people make the right choices about where to go for treatment is a pivotal part of Steve Byrne's job in the urgent care centre at Princess Alexandra Hospital.

Steve works for West Essex Community Health Services as an urgent care practitioner. He can often be found in the reception POD in the hospital's accident and emergency department.

The POD is where colleagues from the WECHS urgent care centre stream patients arriving at casualty to ensure they are directed to the right place for treatment.

This may be to A&E if their condition is serious enough, but in many cases it will be to the urgent care centre just a few yards away or even to the patient's GP or pharmacist. It all depends on the nature of the illness or injury.

The key role the urgent care centre plays in helping to ease pressure on A&E is best illustrated by one weekend in March when 357 people were seen at the POD. Of these, 153 were directed to A&E, 159 to the urgent care centre and 33 to their GPs.

Steve, who worked for the London Ambulance service for 15 years before joining WECHS in 2009, explained that "urgent" care was of the type needed within a few hours following an unexpected health problem.

"People sometimes come to A&E as the first port of call to get help for a problem," he said. "It may be something like a chronic shoulder injury that's been painful for several weeks, in which case people need to book an appointment with their GP."

"One of the things we do in the urgent care team is to help people understand the range of options available to them so they get the right treatment in the right place, first time."

"In a way it's about helping people appreciate which health problems are best treated where. Many can be self-managed at home or through a visit to their GP or a nearby pharmacist without the need for a trip to A&E."

"This saves them time and means they are more likely to get the care they need. It also



means a faster and more convenient service for those who do need to be seen in A&E or at the urgent care centre."

Together with colleagues in the community, the urgent care team works hard to help ensure people with health problems – including those with long-term conditions such as breathing difficulties and diabetes – know what to do if their condition worsens. Steve added: "In many cases visiting their GP or, in the case of people with long-term conditions, contacting their community nurse or therapist

HERE TO HELP: Above, staff of the urgent care centre at Princess Alexandra Hospital. Below left, Steve Byrne

will be the best way to get the care they need."

Colds, sore throats, earaches or brief episodes of diarrhoea and vomiting are among conditions that can usually be treated at home or with the help of a health professional in the community such as a GP or pharmacist.

The urgent care centre was launched last December as part of a programme of measures to provide better support for people in the community. Steve said it was now easier for hospital and community-based health professionals to work together to help people get the care they need in the right place.

However, he urged people to think ahead about their health care needs.

"For example, we sometimes have people coming in on the day their sutures (stitches) are due to be removed because they can't get to see the practice nurse at their GP surgery," he said.

"At the time the sutures were put in they would have been told when they should be removed. But instead of booking ahead they leave it to the day and can't then get an appointment with the practice nurse so they come to us."

"This isn't the best use of anyone's time."

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Coping with irritable bowel syndrome

If you have irritable bowel syndrome, you are not alone. IBS is common with worldwide prevalence estimated at nine-23 per cent, yet many people remain undiagnosed and unaware that their symptoms indicate a medically recognised disorder.

IBS is a common but poorly understood chronic (long-term) condition where the normal functions of the bowel are disrupted.

Symptoms of IBS include abdominal pain or discomfort, changes in bowel habits or abdominal bloating. Symptoms can range from being mild to severe.

IBS is one of the most common digestive conditions. Symptoms usually begin in early adulthood when a person is 20-30 years old and is twice as common in

women as men.

The cause or causes of IBS are unknown. The condition may be triggered by a number of factors such as stress, problems with the immune system (the body's natural defence against infection and illness) or a problem with how the muscles move food through the stomach and bowel.

IBS does not pose a serious threat to a person's health, nor does it cause serious damage or disease of the digestive system. However, it can have a considerable impact on quality of life.

There is currently no cure for IBS. Treatment involves using medication and changing your diet and lifestyle to try to relieve the symptoms.

For more information about IBS, visit www.nhs.uk.

One-in-10 will suffer from depression

DEPRESSION can be a serious illness. Health professionals use the words depression, depressive illness or clinical depression to refer to it.

It is very different from the common experience of feeling unhappy, miserable or fed up for a short period of time.

When you are depressed you may have feelings of extreme sadness that can last for a long time. These feelings are severe enough to interfere with your daily life and can last for weeks or months rather than just a few days.

Depression is quite common and about one-in-10 people will experience it at some point.

However, the exact number of people with depression is hard to estimate because many do

not get help or are not formally diagnosed with the condition.

Women are more likely to have depression than men, and one-in-four women will require treatment for depression at some point, compared to one-in-10 men.

Depression can affect people of any age – including children – and in many ways, causing a wide variety of physical, psychological and social symptoms.

With the right treatment and support, most people can make a full recovery from depression. It is important to seek help from your GP if you think you may be depressed.

For more information, visit www.nhs.uk or visit the MIND or Rethink websites.

Use A&E for 'real' emergencies only

PEOPLE are being asked to use the accident and emergency department at Princess Alexandra Hospital only in real emergencies over this bank holiday weekend.

Approximately 10 per cent of patients do not need to go to A&E. The Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust is encouraging people to seek advice and treatment from the

wide variety of health care services that exist elsewhere in the community.

A spokesman said "The main hospital deals with nearly 90,000 emergencies annually. With increasing demands being placed on services, A&E departments should only be for those with serious illnesses or injuries that require immediate care."

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Dad's battle over holiday from hell



A HARLOW man whose family fell seriously ill on a "holiday from hell" is seeking compensation for their ordeal.

Steve Smith (31), his wife Penny (28) and their daughters Amy (9) and Emily (5) suffered serious stomach complaints while staying at the Aqua Fantasy Hotel in Turkey in 2008.

Three years on and Mr Smith, of Quarry Spring, is still suffering from post-infectious irritable bowel syndrome.

The family paid almost £1,500 for the two-week all-inclusive holiday which they had booked through lead-

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ing UK travel firm First Choice but Mr Smith claims the company has "ignored" his complaints.

"The hotel was shocking," he told the **Star**. "The food was either undercooked or reheated, the crockery and cutlery was filthy, there were faeces in the swimming pool and the attitude of the staff was disgraceful."

"There seemed to be no concern for hygiene in the food preparation areas. I can remember one time when the cooks reheated the same joint of meat three times in one day. "Within days we were all suffering from stomach complaints but when we asked to see the on-site doctor our holiday rep told us it was just the heat getting to us."

Other holidaymakers suffered from similar problems during their stay at the same resort, and the Smith family has now joined a group of 46 launching a legal battle against First Choice.

"On the flight home it became

clear we weren't the only ones suffering," said Mr Smith. "People were throwing up all the way home and the plane smelled foul by the time we landed."

Their case has been taken up by law firm Irwin Mitchell, which specialises in cases of serious illness abroad.

Solicitor Adam Wright said: "First Choice has continued to deny liability for the suffering caused at this hotel, but we are determined to continue to fight for our clients to ensure that justice is done."

"First Choice should face up to its responsibilities and pay our clients fair compensation for their ruined holidays and illnesses."

A spokesman for First Choice said: "The Aqua Fantasy in Turkey continues to be extremely popular with our guests. In 2009 and 2010 over 94 per cent of guests rated accommodation and holiday overall as good or excellent."

"In light of the court proceedings it would therefore be inappropriate for us to make further comment on the case."

ANGRY: Steve Smith is one of a group of holidaymakers seeking compensation from First Choice

Drug dealer caught by undercover cops boasted about supplying uni students

A DRUG dealer who told an undercover police officer he would supply students at a new university campus in Harlow has been jailed for three years.

Peter Reynolds (21), of The Hides, Harlow, was caught making his boast during a police operation in the town last summer, Chelmsford Crown Court was told.

Reynolds admitted two charges of supplying cocaine and cannabis and a third charge of being being concerned in the supply of cocaine.

Samantha Lowther, prosecuting, said two officers named only as

"Frankie and Andy" had been issuing leaflets in Harlow offering to buy items from people when Reynolds offered one of them "quality stuff".

The officer was told the cost was £50 a gram and £30 for half a gram. After a number of telephone calls the transactions were carried out.

The third charge related to an officer buying cocaine from another person after being driven to two houses.

"During conversations about a university being built at Harlow, Reynolds had said he could supply drugs there," Ms Lowther

told the court.

Sentencing Reynolds to three years in prison, judge Charles Gratwicke told him: "Those addicted suffer degradation, family breakdown, health problems and sometimes loss of life."

"You were someone who had a cannabis habit - not an addiction - and went into this with your eyes open."

"You knew where to source drugs and where to sell them and I can't put out of my mind your boast of what you would do when the university campus was built."

Firefighters called to tackle blaze in house

FIREFIGHTERS were called to a fire at a house in Pegrams Road, Harlow, on Monday morning.

When crews arrived at the two-storey building they found the ground floor was completely smokelocked.

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Police hatch a plan to spread a little cheer

POLICE officers embarked on an eggs-tra special mission to deliver more than 300 Easter treats to vulnerable members of the community over the bank holiday weekend. A team of PCSOs spread a little happiness among victims of crime by distributing 340 chocolate eggs to homes across the town.

With help from local firm Pitney Bowes, the team had raised enough to buy 240 eggs following a bag-packing fundraiser at the Asda store in Harlow town centre last weekend. Pinnacles-based firm L&K Consultancy donated a further 100 eggs. PCSO Phillis Chipchase said: "It was a great pleasure to be involved in this event.

We hope the eggs will bring some happiness to those who may be experiencing difficult times this Easter. "It allows us to interact with the public on an informal basis and also shows that we are approachable if ever they needed us." Pictured, left to right, are PCSOs Emma Harris, Karen Rogers and Phillis Chipchase.

Thugs attack and rob stroke victim

DETECTIVES investigating a vicious assault on a disabled man who was out celebrating his birthday have appealed for help to catch those responsible.

The 31-year-old victim suffered severe bruising and was robbed of a watch and jewellery during the attack in Mark Hall Moors last Tuesday.

Police said the man met his two assailants at a pub near his home in Bishop's Stortford and they

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invited him to a party in Harlow.

All three caught the 510 Arriva night bus from Bishop's Stortford to Harlow, getting off near Mark Hall Moors at around 2am.

The attack took place as they were walking near an area of garages. The victim was repeatedly punched in the face and ribs and ordered to hand over his watch, a ring and a necklace.

Detective Constable Tom Dinsdale, who is leading the investigation, said: "This was a particularly vicious and cowardly attack as the victim is disabled due to a stroke in his early life.

"He has no movement in his left arm and limited movement in his right leg which causes him to walk with a limp. He is, therefore, unable to defend himself."

The two attackers are described as white, 17-18 years old and about 5ft 9in tall. One was of skinny build with short dark hair and wearing a white hooded Adidas top, while the

other had short heavily-gelled hair and was wearing a grey T-shirt, blue jeans and black trainers.

The victim was wearing a blue jacket and green John Smith's T-shirt.

"I would like to hear from anyone who might have been on that same bus or saw the three men walking in Mark Hall Moors or the surrounding area before the attack happened," said DC Dinsdale.

Anyone with information about the attack should call DC Dinsdale at Harlow police on 0300 333 4444 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

£52k prize up for grabs as bookies celebrate 50 years

A HARLOW bookmakers is celebrating its 50th birthday by giving punters the chance to win a large sum of money.

Jennings, whose premises at The Stow was the first betting shop to open in the UK on May 1, 1961, is running a number of promotions to mark the anniversary.

The names of customers who pick the winners of both the 1,000 Guineas and 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket this weekend will be put into a draw and the winner will receive £52,500 (50,000 guineas).

And the first customer through the door on Sunday

who can prove they share the shop's exact birth date will get a free £50 bet.

Jennings director Julian Knight, grandson of the firm's founder, said: "We are proud to be the bookies who opened the first-ever betting shop in the country.

"My granddad Tom was so excited he couldn't wait until the official 10am opening time so he threw open the doors five minutes early.

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Spreading confusion about green wedges

SIR, I think John Curry deliberately confuses green wedges, green space, brownfield sites and agricultural land to mislead (*Letters*, April 21). As a member of Harlow Civic Society he knows the difference.

Freddie Gibberd would be the first to voice concern if his ideas were not adjusted and improved, bearing in mind the demands of the day. He did, after all, make one or two glaring mistakes himself.

It is true that fractional parts of green wedge were taken for the Water Gardens development but this was under a Labour-controlled council.

The old Sportcentre was losing money for being outdated and as a brownfield site was, therefore, top of the charts for development.

The Leisurezone site was not a playing field as the school had long gone. Technically it was green wedge but it was the only place to put it after that other vociferous and very local group, HOOP, had vetoed the obvious choice of the Town Park.

Latton Farm only has permission to remain a farm until the land is required for other uses. It is not a green wedge by definition as it is fenced, but if the rugby club were to move there then it would become a huge area of green wedge open to all residents.

The Lister House development at Abercrombie Way is an eminently sensible piece of social engineering which will improve the locality by usage and tidy up the derelict driving centre.

Finally, the area north of Gilden Way has been earmarked for development ever since Harlow was built. Just look at the roundabout – the access is already there.

If the choice is subsidising farmers or building homes, I know what I

Puerile approach to vote on AV

SIR, Now aged 86, I am totally neutral in respect of the method by which an MP is elected since the result of the Alternative Vote referendum is unlikely to concern me for any considerable length of time.

However, the emotive and virtually puerile approach to the subject contained in a 'No' leaflet recently foisted upon me merits a response, if for no other reason than that it raises concerns about the manner in which future major political matters are to be discussed.

Instead of the informative, measured approach that such an important issue requires, it presents a veritable minefield of half and part truths and misinformation.

It fails to mention that in all other parts of the United Kingdom, government elections contain an element allowing the wishes of the total electorate to be more widely reflected, only those for Westminster confining results to the first past the post system.

This anachronism is further in evidence when one realises many of the MPs who chose AV above all the other options available to be the subject of a referendum now viciously attack the system as unfair, stating that only five other countries use it.

If AV is such a bad option, why choose it?

Could this be because they are afraid that a public thoroughly disenchanted with politicians would say yes to change? Furthermore, trumpeting that Britain gave its system of election to the world fails to point out that this was done at a time when we controlled much of it and that many evolving nations and older states in Europe have rejected it.

During the period in which the franchise has widened to its current level, few governments have been elected with more than 50 per cent of votes cast, in effect disenfranchising that part of the electorate not voting for the successful party.

The 'No' campaign's concerns seem facile when currently the majority of voters' preferences are ignored and cast into a political dustbin.

Stating that the current system has stood the test of time is equally facile, for the electorate has been denied any opportunity to discover the merits or demerits of any other.

The Tories have fought tooth and nail to prevent reform or extension of the franchise since before the Reform Act of 1832 and almost without exception throughout the intervening period to the present day. No changes there then. But for Labour, dominated by the block

votes of the trades union movement, the current opposition to further change for the wider electorate would appear to verge on the hypocritical.

Unlike the people of my generation, few if any have first hand knowledge of coalition government. The strongest and best government during the lifetime of my generation was the wartime coalition, utilising the expertise and knowledge of people from all parties to benefit the country as a whole.

Of course the circumstances were totally different, but that does not detract from that government's success. Coalition need not involve a weakening of government, although it will undoubtedly upset party zealots with a watering down of the more extreme party policies. Nor is it a bad thing if used to benefit the electorate rather than merely as a means for politicians to obtain the power they crave so desperately.

Finally, I have yet to see any literature advocating a 'Yes' vote, but if the leaflet offered by those against reform typifies their case, for me it indicates that change is needed badly.

**C.T.B. Hockley
Churchfield, Harlow**

would vote for.

**Jim Pailing
Chelsea Gardens, Harlow**

Look to the future and not to the past

SIR, John Curry is right to want to safeguard the amenities of Harlow for future generations but he and his colleagues in the civic society must join the 21st century.

They continue to espouse the sanctity of the Gibberd principles but before Sir Frederick built Harlow New Town this whole area was green space with a few villages and farms, some dating back 1,000 years.

There was great protest back in 1947 about the destruction the new town was to wreak on this rural

idyll. When I came to Harlow there was no Katherines, Summers, Brockles Mead or Milwards and the vast majority of Harlow was one huge council estate with all the difficulties and dependency that went with it.

Even with right to buy the nature of Harlow hardly changed – a low wage economy, poor education, high benefit dependency, ageing infrastructure and a countryside image that was to say the least unflattering. Despite all the many good things about Harlow and its residents it was unsustainable, a major flaw in Gibberd's vision.

Then Church Langley appeared and things began to change, with 3,000 more residents who contribute much higher council tax than those in our older homes. Now we have taken a step further

with Gateway and New Hall.

Business and retail recognise that Harlow has potential and developers have shown interest in building new homes and major retail developments. The town is looking forward, but Mr Curry and the civic society still look back.

Another Gibberd flaw is that Harlow's boundaries are such that there is no room to provide for all who want to live here and make Harlow viable for the next 50 years. That is why Harlow Council is putting together a plan for the future. It will safeguard much of what Mr Curry holds dear and protect against unfettered speculation and development.

If he is against our superb new sports facilities, new health centres, long-awaited facilities for our rugby club, our new football stadium or better roads and new cycleways, and if he is against having new housing to cater for the 6,000 people waiting to set up home here, he has ample opportunity to share those concerns with the council.

But it would help if he and the civic society could voice some ideas about how Harlow should develop. We know what they are against, but what are they for?

**Councillor Tony Hall
Kingdson Lane, Harlow**

It's a nightmare for dog owners

SIR, As the good weather is now here it brings with it misery for a whole community.

Summer is an absolute nightmare for dog owners. Apart from the screaming children running amok using scooters, bikes and roller blades, there is the horrendous mess of plastic bags, bottles, food wrappers and used nappies left strewn all over the Town Park.

The evening time and early mornings bring a minefield of food scraps, still-smoking barbecues, broken glass and litter everywhere which is a health hazard for dogs and other wildlife.

The Town Park belongs to everybody. As a dog owner/walker myself and from talking to regular walkers, we

are all sick and tired of the hypocrisy of people who criticise dog owners for the dog fouling (which most people pick up anyway) and letting their dogs off lead, while fair weather visitors treat the environment and other park users with such disrespect and inconsideration.

Why should dog owners be made to feel obliged to keep their dogs on the lead in the dogs' play area that they use every day – not just at weekends and school holidays – regardless of weather just because it's a nice day and everybody decides to descend to have a picnic?

Name and address supplied - Editor

Don't leave your pet's mess behind

SIR, I am writing as both a concerned parent and unhappy resident of Harlow.

Today was the last straw when my little girl trod in a huge amount of dogs' mess in the park.

I live on the Abbotsweld estate which is next to the Bishopsfield green area. The local area, especially the green spaces, have a terrible problem with dogs' mess.

It seems some local residents who walk their dogs do not respect the area and do not pick up after their pets.

What I also find totally unacceptable as a parent of a two-year-old is some of the dog walkers let them run free in the children's playground. I believe it will not be long before the council will find itself being taken to court if a child becomes blind due to the problem.

Is there something that can be done about this? Does the council have patrols in this area?

In the two years since my daughter was born I have had to clean off mess on the pram wheels or her shoes.

**Debbie Davidson
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Gibberd Gateway

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THE woman who inspired a businessman to build Europe's first dedicated holiday centre for disabled youngsters has visited the site in Portugal for the first time.

Annette Courtney, from Harlow, never imagined her boss Andy Mahoney would take up the challenge when she told him about her struggle to take away daughter Rachel, who has cerebral palsy.

Because of Rachel's disability, the family have not had a holiday for five years due to a lack of suitable holiday accommodation in the UK and abroad.

But Andy was so struck by their plight that he has set up his own charity to convert a run-down former hotel on the Algarve into a fully-equipped home-away-from-home for children with disabilities and their families.

Annette flew to Portugal with Andy to meet the dedicated band of volunteers who are working on the Centre Algarve project.

Set in three acres of grounds, the 18-bedroom resort will offer sports facilities, a swimming pool, sensory rooms and other activities. There are plans to have a children's petting zoo, with Broxbourne-based Paradise Wildlife Park helping them to apply for a zoo licence.

"It's the most beautiful place I have ever seen," said mum-of-two Annette. "It's absolutely wonderful and there is a real feeling of hope and expectation there."

Annette, who has worked for Andy for eight years, met him when his Gaunts End-based specialist education transport company 24x7 Ltd took Rachel to school.

Rachel (18) is currently studying for a BTEC in ICT at a specialist residential college in Coventry. She hopes to become a communications officer for the police.

"Without Rachel or Annette there wouldn't be this centre," Andy said. "They are the catalyst for this project, which will be life-changing for many, many people."

During her two-day visit, Annette met Portugal's minister for tourism. The British ambassador has also visited the site to pledge his support.

Annette, who is also mum to Danie (24), said:

Joy for mum who inspired a holiday centre for disabled

By **ELEANOR PATMORE**
star@hertsexsexnews.co.uk

"He [the minister] was very positive and is beginning to understand just how hard it is to take somebody who is disabled on holiday.

"There is a need for places like this so not only the person who is disabled but the whole family can go away knowing all the things they need to care for that person are in place.

"This is much bigger than just a holiday home for kids. It will be life-changing for them to have that experience and see outside the limitations of their own disability. It will show them there's a big world out there and they can be a part of it."

Since work began at the beginning of last year, Centre Algarve has been inundated with offers of help from around the globe, with volunteers flying in from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, America and Europe to offer their services.

Other high-profile supporters included Fiat UK, which has donated a Dublo Cargo van to help with the building work. It will be used to carry construction materials and transport volunteers to the site.

Andy said: "We've met some incredible people



and have heard some incredible stories. We had one lady from Australia who recently flew home and then came back after six days. We've also got an English builder called Andy who came for two weeks in September and hasn't left.

"I never imagined we'd get the response we've had. In the first five months of starting work we were averaging 78 hours a day of volunteer labour. It blows me away every time I think about it."

Centre Algarve is looking to establish a local fundraising team to help generate funds and promote the project. Volunteers can call Andy on (01279) 816126 or 07836 777789. For more information, visit www.centrealgarve.org.



TAKING SHAPE: Above, Annette Courtney, wearing the grey top, is pictured sitting next to Andy Mahoney. Above left, the former hotel in the Algarve



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Let's get this party started

By VICKY LANE

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WITH the country preparing to join in the celebrations for tomorrow's wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton, we thought it would be a good time to turn back the clocks and look at the last Royal wedding which generated such an air of expectation.

The date of course was July 29 1981, when Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer said their 'I dos' in front of a televised audience of 750 million people.

Like tomorrow, the day was declared a Bank Holiday so that people could hold their own celebrations to toast the happy couple – and Harlow residents didn't disappoint.

Street parties were held across the town as people joined together to commemorate the royal couple's nuptials – and **Star** photographers were out and about to capture many of the festivities on film. Some of them are reproduced here.

With their own royal 'connection' to the celebrations, residents of Spencers Croft opened up their street to more than 700 people for their day of fun, food and fancy dress.

People living in Perry Springs, East Park, The Maples, Willowfields and Great Plumtree weren't far behind with their own individual community extravaganzas, while members of the Harlow branch of the Royal British Legion went down to the Princess Alexandra Hospital to present commemorative wedding day crowns to some of the young patients.

Milwards residents impressed with their entries for the fancy hat competition at their residential street party, with local athlete Sue Mapstone – who won a silver medal at high jump in the 1978 Commonwealth Games – judging the entries and choosing the winners.

Mrs Bette Lanler, who helped organise the Spencers Croft celebration, said at the time that the day was "just fabulous".

● Do you remember celebrating the wedding of Lady Diana Spencer and Prince Charles in Harlow or can you spot yourself in any of the pictures? Share your memories by writing to Nostalgia, 6 West Gate, Harlow CM20 1JW or email vicky.lane@hertsessexnews.co.uk



25 years ago: Stories from the pages of the Star

➔ The Duke of Gloucester will formally open the new Great Parndon Community Centre next Wednesday. The Duke will be shown around the mushroom-shaped centre in Abercrombie Way and unveil a plaque to commemorate his visit. It will be Harlow's first royal visit since the Prince Charles went to Cossor in 1978.

➔ Harlow MP Jerry Hayes drank wine with the Queen Mother at a ceremony to commemorate the 900th anniversary of the Domesday Book in Westminster Abbey. Her Majesty recalled the Queen's visit to the town when Elizabeth Way and Edinburgh Way were named.

➔ Ten thousand runners in Harlow will be joining over a million athletes throughout the world in the Sport Aid Race Against Time on Sunday, May 25. Harlow has been chosen as East Anglia's regional centre for the five-mile event raising money for the African Fund. Harlow runners are hoping to raise £12,000.

➔ A Harlow band were the victims of an attack involving toxic gas on Friday. The Newtown Neurotics had just taken the stage at a benefit concert in the Central London Polytechnic when a canister believed to contain CS gas was released, causing the audience to flee.



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The curious tale of the stowaway kitty

A STOWAWAY cat trapped in a shipping container for 18 days without food or water has returned home to New Zealand after the trip of a lifetime.

Missing kitty Douglas was flown back to New Zealand last week after being discovered safe and well in Australia – more than 2,000 miles away from home!

The curious cat is looked after by staff working at a drilling company and often climbs inside cars and containers stored at the firm's yard.

But when workers didn't see him for two weeks they started to get worried and contacted customs officers in Australia to warn them that Douglas may have been trapped in a container.

Sure enough, when the containers were opened after arriving at their destination, out trotted Douglas looking no worse for wear despite his two-week ordeal.



The inquisitive kitty was checked over by a vet before being put on a plane home.

Port staff were baffled that Douglas – pictured above with owner Bruce Clark – was still in

good health.

They think the clever cat may have survived by licking the condensation that formed on the walls of the container during his long voyage.

Rangers Fact File



NAME: Jasmine (member 751)
DATE OF BIRTH: April 30, 2002
ADDRESS: Pottersfield, Harlow
SCHOOL: Church Langley Primary
HOBBIES: Art and riding her bike
DISLIKES: Nuts
FAVOURITE FOOD: Pizza
LEAST FAVOURITE FOOD: Meat
FAVOURITE AUTHOR: Roald Dahl
FAVOURITE TV: iCarly
FAVOURITE MUSIC: Pop
FAMILY: Brother, Eddie (10)
PETS: Magic the cat
WANTS TO BE: A vet
(photo: HAR0730662)

Happy Birthday

TODAY
REESE-MARIE (member 765), of Conyers, Harlow, is 6

FRIDAY
ARCHIE (member 650), of Berecroft, Harlow, is 8

SATURDAY
CHARISMA (member 1071), of Blackbush Spring, Harlow, and **JASMINE** (member 751), of Pottersfield, Harlow, are both 9

SUNDAY
THOMAS (member 846), of Hadley Grange, Harlow, is 5

MONDAY
ROSIE (member 456), of Taylifers, Harlow, is 10;
KACEY (member 853), of Durham Close, Sawbridgeworth, is 8

TUESDAY
JESSIKA (member 948), of Spencers Croft, Harlow, is 6

WEDNESDAY
TAYLOR (member 958), of Lower Meadow, Harlow, and **JACK** (member 313), of Elwood, Harlow, are both 10



Rangers Recruit

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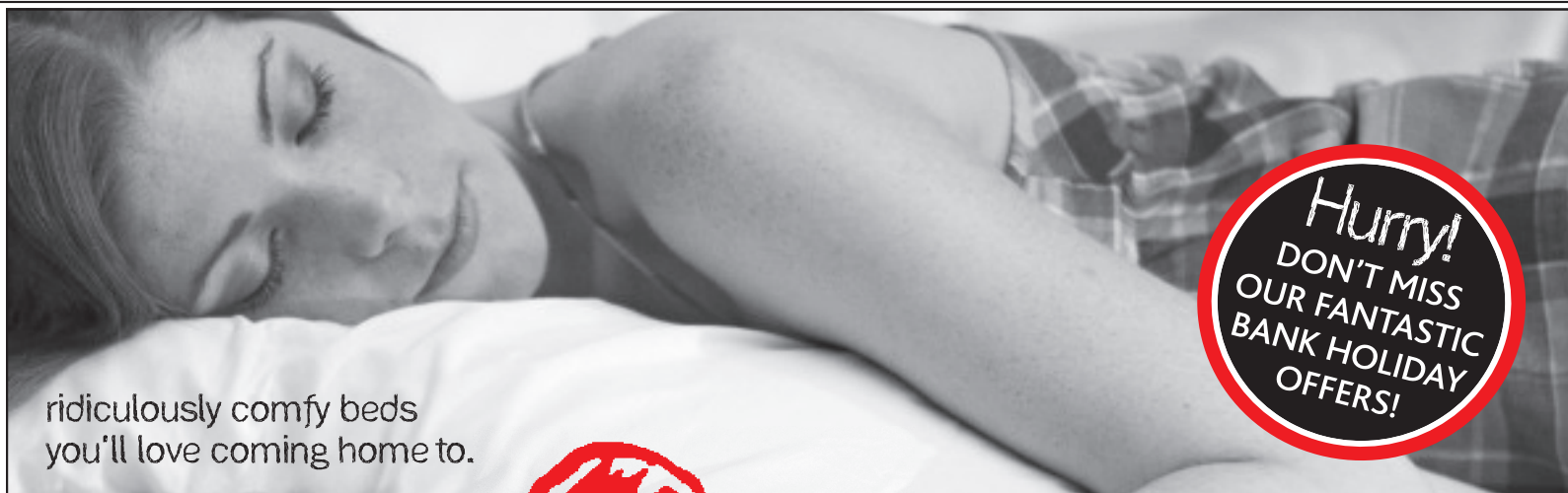
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There's something about weddings that bring out the romance in even the most cynical. How many times have you heard a couple say they

met at a wedding or that a proposal followed after seeing good friends get married?

No doubt the Royal wedding will inspire much of the same and it will be interesting to see if there is a surge in engagements.

If you've just got engaged then congratulations – you're about to start planning your main event. It will be a day you'll remember for the rest of your life. To make sure you have the wedding of your dreams, it's a good idea to start planning some of the basics as soon as possible.

It may sound obvious but a little forward planning will go a

long way. It is said that Prince William and Kate Middleton first discussed the idea of marrying at least three years ago. It isn't hard to see why they'd need that time frame to think about an event of that size!

Will you be planning a religious or civil ceremony? Where will your reception be? How many people do you want to invite? Will the date work for everyone? There are so many issues to consider.

First of all it's a good idea to think about the time of year you'd like to hold the wedding. Do you see yourself as a summer bride or are you

dreaming of a winter celebration with perhaps a Christmas tree and fur trimmed dress?

The season will not only dictate the style of wedding you have, it will also determine what is available. Summer is still the most popular time to get married and some venues are likely to be booked up several years in advance. If you do have a particular place in mind, you might consider marrying at a different time of year.

It might be ugly to talk money but there's no getting away from it. Cost is a major factor, whether you're marrying a prince or a pauper.

It's very easy to get carried away when planning your dream wedding but before you commit yourself to anything, sit down and work out what you can afford to spend and what your priorities are. If anyone else is contributing, it makes sense to involve them in the discussions too.

The average wedding now costs around \$20,000 but only you know what you can afford. Decide on a budget and then stick to it. If you overspend in one area, work out how you can economise elsewhere.

Work out how many friends and family you want to invite. The size of your guest list has a huge impact on where you can marry.

If you've set your heart on tying the knot in the local village church near your parents' home but it only holds 50, you're going to have a re-think if you're already at 200 on the provisional guest list. The same goes for your reception venue.

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Deaths

RON GADSBY

Myra, Sue and Chris are sad to announce the death of Ron, peacefully at home on 21st April 2011, aged 79 years. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Ron's funeral has yet to be arranged. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for the Macmillan Nurses Fund. All enquiries to the Funeral Directors, Masterson Funeral Home, Station road, Old Harlow Essex. CM17 0AS. Tel: 01279-626238

MARSH. Jackie. Our loving mum sadly passed away on Saturday 9th April 2011. She is survived by her 3 children, Tyrone, Clare, Guy and 6 grandchildren. R.I.P Mum, we love you and miss you very much. Funeral will take place on Wednesday 4th May 2011 at 3.45pm at Three Counties Crematorium, Braintree. No flowers please, donations instead to the British Heart Foundation.

NOWIKOW Helga. Sadly passed away on the 11th April aged 88. Loving Wife to Igor, Beloved Mother of Conrad & Mark, and Grandmother of 5. She will be sadly missed but never forgotten. The funeral service will take place on Tuesday 10th May at Parndon Wood Crematorium for 2.00pm. Family Flowers Only & Donations if desired to The British Red Cross. All enquiries to The Co-operative Funeralcare Harlow 01279 441444.

DEREK PARKINSON

Passed away on Wednesday 13th April 2011, after an illness bravely borne, aged 79 years. Derek was a loving Husband, Father and Grandfather and will be deeply missed.

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VERNON

MAURICE BURD

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Mum & Dad, Brothers, George, Mark, John, Chris, Julian, Sister Angela. xx

CHILDS. Pat. 1st May 2007 Pat, I love and miss you always. All my love, Eddie. xxxxx

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Irene & Edward (Ted)

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In Memoriam

ALAN JAMES

Remembering you Alan on your Birthday, 29th April. Miss you so much my darling. Love from Frances & family xxxxx

GERALD PRESLAND

28th April 2010
So hard to believe it's been a year since you left me, it broke my heart to lose you, life is not the same without you here. Love and miss you so much. Margaret

PRESLAND. Gerald. One year has gone by since you were taken from us dear Dad and Grandad, you are loved & missed everyday, always in our hearts. Love, Louise, Mark, Aimee & Sophie. x

PRESLAND. Gerald. 28th April 2010. Dad we cannot believe it has been a year since you were here with us but we carry you everyday in our hearts. Love you and miss you more than words can say. Sean, Steph and Hollie.

Births

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Birthdays



ABBIE

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Abi Pumfrett

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21st Birthday

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Have a lovely 21st Birthday on 4/5/11 and can't wait till we go to Rome. Lots of love from David. xxxxxx



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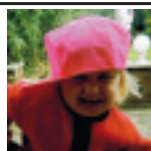
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**RACHEL HOY**

To the best Sister and Auntie in the world, hope you have a fantastic 21st Birthday. Lots and lots of love from Victoria, Wayne & Poppy. xxx

**RACHEL HOY**

Happy 21st Birthday Babe. Hope you enjoy your present. Love you lots and lots, Simon. xxxxxxxx

**RACHEL HOY**

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**REBECCA SHIELDS**

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Join Race for Life and help defeat cancer



By **VICKY LANE**
vicky.lane@hertsexnews.co.uk

ORGANISERS of the Harlow Race for Life were at the town's Leisurezone yesterday (Wednesday) to drum up support for next month's fundraiser.

More than 2,200 have already registered to take part in either the 5k and 10k women-only events in aid of Cancer Research UK. They will be taking place in Harlow Town Park on Sunday, May 15.

But with time running out to sign up and places still available for both distances, organisers are hoping to persuade more mums, daughters, grannies, sisters, friends and work-mates to add their names to the list before entry closes on Wednesday, May 11.

Event manager Lucy Hynes said: "We are very grateful to all the women who have already entered Race for Life in Harlow but we urgently need many more. With just two weeks to go until the event day,



ON THE RUN: Pictured, left to right, are Race for Life organiser Lucy Hynes, Jo Oates, Katie Muirhead and Leisurezone marketing manager Emma Sprotem (photo: HAR0731514)

there are still loads of places to fill.

"We are issuing an urgent rallying call to the town's 'missing' women and hope they will hear our plea and register as soon as possible. If fewer women take part, there will be less money to fund research which in turn means fewer lives saved in the future.

"However, together we can create

a fantastic atmosphere on the day and every step taken will help doctors, nurses and scientists take major strides forward in research to help beat cancer."

Women of all ages and abilities can take part by running, jogging or walking the 5k or 10k routes. To enter, visit www.raceforlife.org or call 0871 641 1111.

Birdwatchers' hide gets a makeover



BIRDWATCHERS were twitching to try out a newly refurbished observation hide at Harlow's Parndon Wood Nature Reserve.

The ageing structure was in urgent need of some tender loving care after years of wear and tear had caused the roof to spring a bad leak.

But thanks to the generosity of Edinburgh Way DIY store Home-

base, staff at the popular council-run nature reserve have been able to completely refurbish the shelter.

Wild site officer Bob Groom told the **Star**: "The hide was in a bit of a state. All the felt was coming off the roof, it had started to leak and the whole thing was falling to bits.

"Thankfully, the generous folk at the Homebase store stepped in and

provided us with all the materials we needed to make the necessary repairs.

"It couldn't have come at a better time to be honest. We've had loads of visitors recently thanks to the lovely weather and we're now approaching our busiest period of the year."

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STEWARDS: Budding cosmologists at the Parnall Road secondary looked to the heavens during a Saturn Watch evening.

Unfortunately, overcast conditions stopped the Stewards Sky Watch Group from being able to spot the second largest planet in the Solar System. Instead, they spent the evening inspecting moon rocks and meteorites on loan from the Science and Technology Facilities Council.

Astronomical Society member Allan Bell and local astronomer Andy Gannon taught them

about Saturn, its rings and moons.

Year 7 pupil Isaac Lucia said: "I very much enjoyed the evening and although we did not actually see Saturn through a telescope, it was made up for by the astronomical information we were given."

"We learnt about why Saturn seems to loop in the sky and were able to touch real Moon rocks and meteorites."

Pictured examining some of the Moon rocks collected during the Apollo missions are Year 7 pupils Phillip Howlett and Holly Humphreys.

BUSY BEES: There was a treat for children at the nursery in Greenway, Harlow, when they came face-to-face with lizards, owls, hedgehogs and creepy crawlies.

They got the chance to hold and stroke the animals from Paradise Wildlife Park in Broxbourne who were visiting as part of the nursery's animal week.

Manager Kim Shinn said: "The children absolutely loved the animals and certainly weren't worried about getting up close to them!"

"They had a really good week doing lots of different animal themed activities and on the last day got to dress up as their favourite creature for a special animal party"

She added: "As a result of the week the children are now more aware about different animals and how they should be looked after, which is really good for them."

(photo: HAR0725830)



DIZZY DUCKS: Youngsters and their parents enjoyed a day of fun and learning when they attended an activity and open day at the Harlow Leisurezone nursery.

While parents got to explore the nursery, little ones took part in such activities as a pyjama drama class and a Little Scrummery rugby session.

Manager Annie Cane said: "This was a special day for families whose children already attend Dizzy Ducks and for those thinking about joining us."

"After helping us all week by making bits and bobs to go on display, the children really enjoyed showing off their work to their parents. Everyone – old and new – enjoyed taking part in the activities together. "We always like to encourage the parents to come in and see what we do and it was especially nice for them all to see what a happy environment we have here at Dizzy Ducks."

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KIDDI CARU: Parents mucked in with their children when the nursery in Kiln Lane, Harlow, held a special planting day to get the nursery garden in shape for the summer.

The gardeners spent a sunny morning transforming the garden with hanging baskets, pot plants and new flowers and shrubs.

The children also enjoyed outdoor arts and craft activities while their parents continued with the work.

Nursery manager Aimee Hume said: "It was a wonderful day as the sun was shining and there was a really good turnout. The children had lots of fun and we were lucky to have so many 'expert' gardeners on hand to help."

"We achieved a lot in just a couple of hours and the garden has now been transformed. It is really bright and colourful and with the children helping to water it each day should hopefully stay that way."

Pictured busy at work is Rhiannon Lawrence with her parents Elizabeth and Darren.



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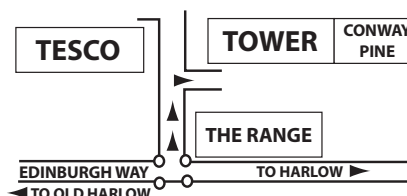
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MANY of the hundreds of people taking part in this year's Midnight Walk have a special reason for wanting to raise money for St Clare Hospice. One of them will be Beckie Street.

Beckie's mum, Heather, was cared for at the hospice back in October after having lived with leukaemia for three years.

"Mum was at St Clare for about two-and-a-half-weeks," said Beckie (22), from Sheering.

"She was really nervous when she was transferred from Addenbrookes Hospital to the hospice.

"She hated being in hospital although the staff were lovely. We knew St Clare was a great place but I guess it's just out of your comfort zone when you know someone close needs to go there.

"Very quickly mum and the family settled in and mum loved having a laugh and a joke with the nurses. They made it the best possible time for us all. The nurses encouraged her to get up and even get in a lovely bath, which she hadn't been able to do for three years.

"Mum stopped saying she didn't want to be in the hospice very quickly. The staff prepared us all and gave just as much comfort to me as they did mum. I wanted to know everything and that's what they did. I was able to stay with her for as long as I wanted and Dad lived at the hospice during that time.

"The night Mum passed away I was there and the nurses were wonderful explaining what would happen and helping me prepare.

Afterwards I had some counselling so the care didn't stop when Mum passed away.

"We have no regrets she came here, the care she needed was hospice care, not hospital treatment."

Beckie has signed up for the Midnight Walk so that she can "give something back" to the hospice. She is busy collecting sponsorship pledges for family, friends and work colleagues and has already smashed her initial target.

"Please sign up and come and have a great night out, supporting the hospice and people like Mum who need them," she said. "We're going to have a fantastic night and you will too."

Hospice cared for mum in her last few weeks. Now I want to give something back



Tracy Stratford, events fundraiser for the hospice, said: "Beckie's story explains what the hospice does far better than we can. We need the support of our local community in order to keep providing this special care."

The 10km walk around Harlow – which once again is supported by the **Star** – takes place on **Saturday, June 18**. It will start from the car park outside Asda in The Water Gardens at 10.30pm. The entry fee is £15 per person and everyone taking part will receive a goody bag

and 'I painted the town pink' T-shirt.

The evening begins with entertainment on stage from around 8pm with music and games.

Shortly before the start of the walk there will be a Zumba-style warm-up session to get everyone in the mood.

To find out more about the Midnight Walk or to register online, log on to St Clare's website at www.stclarehospice.org.uk. Alternatively, call the events team on (01279) 773750 to request an entry form.



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Your stars with Patrick Arundell

to guide you through the week ahead

Aries Mar 21-Apr 20
This is a week, when a very rare and helpful astral line-up of planets, shape up all in your zodiac sign. This can be a time of self-realization. Aries, as hopes that have lain dormant far too long, finally take off. This can see you brimming with enthusiasm, which in turn boosts your charisma and catapults you forwards towards bigger and better things. Call me for more astral advice...

Taurus Apr 21-May 21
In April, you have learned a fantastic amount about both the hidden and less obvious sides of life and of yourself, but this week will be a turning point, because you can put any new found knowledge or insights into practice. Hold onto your hat, May will truly rock! And this positivity Taurus is boosted by the amazing New Moon in your zodiac sign. Call now for more advice...

Gemini May 22-Jun 21
This can be a week of tremendous opportunities to network. Meetings can be fun and lively, and friendships blossom at every turn. The more contacts you have, the better you will do, so stay in touch to fully capitalize. You can also find yourself doing good deeds for those less fortunate. A team effort on a sponsored walk or swim might be how. Call me for your in-depth forecast...

Cancer Jun 22-Jul 23
Your personal profile skyrockets. Cancer. Everyone seems to want a piece of you, and this will do wonders for your confidence and for your standing. Promotion can also delight you. If your focus is in on your Grand or Godchildren, you may also decide to spend more time with them. But you can think ahead with clarity and much hopefulness. Call your prediction line for more...

Leo Jul 24-Aug 23
If you're journeying or holidaying this week Leo, your timing will prove to be absolutely perfect. But any form of expansion looks bright, be it learning a language to taking a new more challenging hobby. A new job can also be offered that requires you to travel or relocate. Or there can be the chance to update your skills on a training course. Call for more news and advice...

Virgo Aug 24-Sept 23
Business luck or fortune that falls for a partner can delight you too. There is a real sense of expansion. This may see you buy or rent a new property. Enter competitions at every opportunity. Someone has to win, so why not you? In love, things get super sultry. If you, meet someone new, why not get away from your usual haunts and create quality time together. Call for more news...

Pisces Feb 20-Mar 20
Wow Pisces, your financial sector buzzes with energy and the trick will be balancing your bravado around making snap spending decisions on big ticket items, against the income you have coming in. Your appreciation of anything remotely goosy, rich, or calorific can also see your resistance plummet. That recent beach-fit plan, may take a back seat. Call for more advice...

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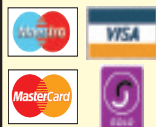
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the guide

>>the square

>>tonight Rock Contest 2010 winners De-Railed return to The Square tonight to headline a triple-bill of fresh talent ready to rock your socks off. Support comes from Long Story Short and Lost Without Cause. Doors open at 8pm and admission is \$4 (free for members).

>>friday See lead story.

>>saturday DJs Trax, Nucleus and Monk play an ever-changing selection of hip hop, funk, old school, afrobeat, drum 'n' bass, dub and Latin tunes with support from acclaimed drummer Macc. The night starts at 8pm and tickets cost £2 (£4 after 9pm).

>>sunday Compere John Mann presents another rib-tickling line-up of top stand-up talent as the monthly comedy night returns. With a bill that features musical comedian Rick Right, the affable Danny Ward and, of course, John's infamous raffle, it's the perfect way to round off a lazy bank holiday weekend. Doors open at 8pm and admission is £7.

>>wednesday Second round victors Long Story Short, The Candy Runts and The Few That Remain battle it out for a coveted place in the final of the Rock Contest 2011. Keep up to date with the competition's progress with our exclusive online column by judge Simon Hutchison at www.harlowstar.co.uk.

>>gig guide

>>tonight

THE CHEQUERS, Market Street, Old Harlow - Recall

THE SHARK, Hobtoe Road, Harlow - Travelling Jam Band

>>friday

BURNT MILL SNOOKER & SOCIAL CLUB, Edinburgh Way, Harlow - Tequila

THE CROWN, Market Street, Old Harlow - John Carr

THE GREYHOUND, School Lane, Harlow - Lisa Mills

THE PHOENIX, Tillwicks Road, Harlow - Piston Bust

THE PURPLE EMPEROR, Momples Road, Harlow - Portland Avenue

THE RAILWAY HOTEL, Station Road, Sawbridgeworth - Fabulous Parallel

THE SHARK, Hobtoe Road, Harlow - Cupid Stunts

>>saturday

BURNT MILL SNOOKER & SOCIAL CLUB, Edinburgh Way, Harlow - Roulottes

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THE WILLOW, Hodings Road, Harlow - Charles Aunt

>>sunday

THE PURPLE EMPEROR, Momples Road, Repertoire Dogs

Gertch yourself a right old knees-up

By CHRIS MOSS, News Editor
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WITH the wait almost over to the big day, what better way to celebrate the Royal wedding than a right royal knees-up with one half of Rockney legends Chas 'n' Dave?

Fresh from the duo's sold-out farewell tour, pianist and singer Chas Hodges will be tickling the ivories at Fourth Avenue venue The Square tomorrow (Friday) night, performing some of his greatest hits and a selection of solo material.

Backed by his own band including son Nik on drums, Chas will be celebrating the nuptials in his own inimitable style, belting out classics including *Margate*, *Gertcha*, *Ain't No Pleasing You*, *Snooker Loopy*, *The Sideboard Song* and, of course, *Rabbit*.

He will be supported by long-time Chas 'n' Dave devotees Buster Shuffle, the support act for the recent IndigO2 London shows.

All cloth caps and cor-blimey trousers, the East London four-piece are about to release a hotly-anticipated debut album of boisterous bar-room ska-pop numbers reminiscent of Madness at their most playful.

Also on the bill are hotly-tipped Mancunian quartet The Janice Graham Band, who blend soulful ska and reggae rhythms with jazz and samba beats to create deliciously dark songs of love, life, sex and death, while Chelmsford punk rocker and Filaments frontman Johnny One Lung is set to open proceedings with a stirring solo set.

Harlow-based DJ Eddie Piller, the co-founder of legendary record label Acid Jazz, will round off the evening in fine style by spinning an impeccable selection of deep funk, northern soul, rare groove and reggae tunes until the wee small hours.

The show starts at 8pm and tickets are available from the box office on (01279) 305000, online from www.thesquareharlow.com or direct from the venue itself, priced £8 in advance.



Beauty of ballet is a joy to behold

REVIEW

Cinderella
Harlow Ballet Association
Harlow Playhouse

AS someone whose experience of ballet extends to once wearing a tutu on an ill-advised night out, it's fair to say I wasn't exactly pirouetting with glee at the prospect of reviewing *Cinderella*.

After all, the sneering cynic inside me had always suspected ballet to be little more than an excuse for a bunch of grinning, over-flexible loons to show off how they could prance around on their tiptoes without pulling their calf muscles.

Imagine my bewilderment, then, as I found myself completely immersed in

an irresistible, cotton-candy fairytale-land of graceful dance, sumptuous visuals, beguiling music and enchanting storytelling.

Traditional and accessible seemed to be the philosophy behind HBA's latest production. And judging by the rapturous reception of a packed auditorium on the show's opening night, it paid off handsomely.

It's a bold move for any group to stage a performance over three acts, but director and choreographer Michael Branwell's decision to do just that gave his supremely talented young cast the freedom to showcase their breathtaking skills to Johann Strauss's bewitching score.

Worthy of special mention for their sublime solo dances were Lydia Ventre (Fairy of the Tiara), Emily Bird (Fairy of

the Magic Shoes), Alex Cowley (Fairy of the Cloak) and Bethany Wilson-Chapman (Fairy of the Tutu).

Jessica Gudgeon and Sam Whittome impressed as Cinderella and her dashing Prince, while guest artist Hamish Scott almost stole the show with an elegant, fleet-footed performance as the Spirit of The Rose.

It was good to see so many of HBA's angelic younger stars-in-waiting also get a chance to appear on stage. Based on the evidence provided by their older peers, they have every chance of one day becoming exceptional dancers themselves.

As for this once-bitter, dance-shy hack, I'm off to buy some tights and a *Billy Elliot* DVD.

Chris Moss

>>what's on

HARLOW PLAYHOUSE
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>>music Legendary crooner Tony Christie takes centre stage tonight (Thursday) with a show that celebrates his 50 years in showbiz. He will be performing all his greatest hits including *Las Vegas*, *I Did What I Did For Maria*, *Avenues & Alleyways*, *Walk Like A Panther* and *Is This The Way To Amarillo* as well as songs from his latest album *Now's The Time*. The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £29.

>>variety The life and music of one of America's greatest singer-songwriters is celebrated in *The Johnny Cash Roadshow* on Saturday. One of the world's top tributes to the Man In Black, this energetic and entertaining show features high-octane live performances of hits including *Walk The Line*, *Folsom Prison Blues*, *Ring Of Fire* and *Boy Named Sue*. The concert begins at 7.30pm and tickets cost £16 (£14 concessions).

>>physical theatre Critically acclaimed physical theatre group Ockham's Razor return to Harlow next Thursday (May 5) with an eye-popping triple bill of breathtaking acrobatic ingenuity. Innovative, provocative and visually sumptuous, *Arc*, *Every Action* and *Memento Mori* have wowed audiences around the world. The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £14 (£12 concessions).

ST JOHN'S ARC
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>>music Internationally acclaimed clarinetist and honorary New Orleans citizen Pete Allen storms into the ARC tonight (Thursday) to co-lead the Pete Allen / John Petters Hot Four for a special jazz session guaranteed to set the joint jumping. The performance starts at 8pm and tickets cost £10 on the door or from (01406) 365731.

>>art An exhibition of paintings and photographs celebrating the landscape of Old Harlow continues at the centre. *Harlowbury To Marsh Lane: A Celebration* runs until Saturday and admission is free.

>>art Talented members of the ARC's resident amateur art group Art-a-Peel show off their latest works in an exhibition now on at the centre. The works will be on display until tomorrow (Friday) and admission is free.

GALLERY AT PARNDON MILL
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>>art A thought-provoking new exhibition of mixed media works contemplating man's ongoing effect on the natural world and its climate continues at The Gallery until May 15. *Climate Changes* features paintings, prints, drawings and textile wall hangings by artists including Anne Daniels and Ian Welsh. Admission is free.

Thor blimey! Another comic book superhero



MARVEL-LOUS: Chris Hemsworth and Anthony Hopkins star in **THOR**

THOR (3D & 2D) certificate 12A, 1h54m

KENNETH Branagh returns to the director's chair after the disappointing remake of *Sleuth* for a special effects-laden romp based on the popular Marvel Comics superhero.

Thor is certainly his most technically demanding film to date but the miasma of digital trickery and pyrotechnics doesn't appear to faze Branagh, who balances the slam bang thrills of a summer blockbuster with tender romance and broad comedy.

Chris Hemsworth unquestionably possesses the imposing physical presence to take the role of the hammer-wielding god of thunder who is brought down to Earth – literally – to learn about humility. He sensibly leaves the emotion to Oscar winners

Natalie Portman and Anthony Hopkins, who inject passion and fury to a predictable narrative that journeys from AD 765 to the present day, incorporating elements of classical Norse mythology to the underlying story of sibling rivalry.

In the fantastic realm of Asgard ruled by Odin (Hopkins) and his wife Frigga (Rene Russo), Thor (Hemsworth) is an arrogant heir to the throne.

He acts first and thinks later, endangering the lives of his trusty companions Volstagg (Ray Stevenson), Sif (Jaimie Alexander), Hogun (Tadanobu Asano) and Fandral (Joshua Dallas) by launching a suicidal attack on the Frost Giants led by the menacing Laufey (Colm Feore).

A furious Odin strips his son of his powers and his legendary war hammer, and dispatches him to Earth as punishment.

The fallen god materialises in the desert of Puente Antiguo in New Mexico, where he befriends scientist Erik Selvig (Stellan Skarsgard), protegee Jane Foster (Natalie Portman) and intern Darcy (Kat Dennings).

The spark of attraction between Thor and Jane is palpable, but without his powers the fallen god must face the same trials and tribulations as any other mortal.

Meanwhile, back in Asgard, Thor's brother Loki (Tom Hiddleston) seizes an opportunity to ascend the throne and steer the kingdom in a new direction.

Thor is an entertaining introduction to the muscle-bound hero and friends. Action set-pieces are orchestrated at breakneck pace and the digital effects are polished, including a terrific skirmish between Thor, the Frost Giants and a monstrous guardian of the frozen realm.

also new this week

INSIDIOUS certificate 15, 1h42m

JOSH Lambert (Patrick Wilson) and his wife Renai (Rose Byrne) move into a new house with sons Dalton (Ty Simpkins) and Foster (Andrew Astor).

Late one night, Dalton hears a strange sound in the attic and foolishly goes to investigate. He glimpses a shadow and lets out a blood-curdling scream. The next morning, Foster tries to wake his brother but the boy has slipped into a coma.

Three months later, Renai is taking care of Dalton at home while Josh is at work. She senses something terribly wrong in the home and Foster adds to Renai's discomfort when he whimpers about an intruder.



So Josh's mother Lorraine (Barbara Hershey) invites her supernaturally gifted friend Elise Rainier (Lin Shaye) to survey the property, flanked by assistants Specs (Leigh Whannell) and Tucker (Angus Sampson). "There's something about this house, it's like a

sickness," says Elise, who fears that Josh and his clan might not be mentally strong enough to face the dangers that lie ahead.

If *Insidious* had ended abruptly after the first hour, it would probably be the creepiest thriller to haunt the big screen since the original *Paranormal Activity*. Suspense cranks up relentlessly until a large knot of tension pins us to our seats, unable to look away from the unfolding terror through trembling fingers.

Unfortunately, screenwriter Leigh Whannell engineers a hare-brained second act that completely alters the mood. All of that pent-up tension dissipates as preposterous twist follows ludicrous turn and we find ourselves holding our breaths not through fear but to stifle giggles of incredulity.

>>>still on screen

Arthur Arthur Bach (Russell Brand) is heir to his family's vast fortune which is presided over by his emotionally cold mother, Vivienne (Geraldine James). She informs Arthur that he will marry corporate executive Susan Johnson (Jennifer Garner) to ensure she can take charge of the company. If Arthur refuses, he will be cut off from his inheritance and the privileged lifestyle he has known since birth. Arthur resigns himself to marital hell, only to run into tour guide and aspiring author Naomi (Greta Gerwig). Arthur goes ahead with the nuptials while secretly seeing Naomi, aided and abetted by his nanny Hobson (Helen Mirren) and chauffeur Bitterman (Luis Guzman).

Fast & Furious 5 Former detective Brian O'Conner (Paul Walker) and lover Mia Toretto (Jordana Brewster) spring her brother Dominic (Vin Diesel) from a prison bus and hide out in Rio with Dom's childhood friend, Vince (Matt Schulze). The fugitives are double-crossed by drug lord Reyes (Joaquim De Almeida) and they vow revenge by plotting to steal \$100m of the corrupt businessman's ill-gotten gains. On their trail is federal agent Luke Hobbs (Dwayne Johnson), who flouts the rules but always gets results. He amasses a top crew to bring Brian, Dominic and Mia to justice.

Scream 4 It has been 10 years since the harrowing events of *Scream 3* and traumatised survivor Sidney Prescott (Neve Campbell) has slowly put her shattered life back together. She has penned a self-help book about her harrowing experiences and embarks on a whirlwind book tour, which culminates in a high-profile visit to her hometown of Woodsboro. But her return brings Ghostface back into Sidney's life and the crazed killer targets everyone close to the young woman and her loved ones.

Rio Blu (voiced by Jesse Eisenberg) is a domesticated blue macaw who lives in relative luxury in the sleepy community of Moose Lake, Minnesota. That is until Brazilian conservationist Tulio (Rodrigo Santoro) arrives in Moose Lake to ask Blu's owner, Linda, to take Blu to Rio de Janeiro so the bird can mate with the only known female blue macaw, Jewel (Anne Hathaway). Soon after Blu meets Jewel the birds are kidnapped by greedy animal smugglers led by the nefarious Marcel (Carlos Ponce).

Hop EB (voiced by Russell Brand) lives on Easter Island with his father (Hugh Laurie). The young rabbit is destined to ascend the throne as master of all that is sugary and egg-shaped but he dreams of becoming a drummer in a rock band. So he runs away from the warren and heads for Hollywood where he finds an unexpected ally in eternal loser Fred O'Hare (James Marsden). Having revealed his true identity to Fred, EB auditions for Hoff Knows Talent in front of judge David Hasselhoff (playing himself). Meanwhile, Fred struggles to win the approval of his parents (Gary Cole, Elizabeth Perkins), who dote on his goody-two-shoes, adopted sister (Tiffany Espensen). Thankfully, older sister Sam (Kaley Cuoco) helps Fred to achieve his potential.

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The house is believed to date back to the 17th century and has been upgraded throughout. It includes a swimming pool, paddocks, a ménage, boxes, tack room, storage barns and a detached studio.

The entrance porch has a tiled floor with stairs to the first floor. A door opens into the living room with its many character features and access to the gardens. There is also a good-sized dining room with wood burning fireplace.

The fabulous country kitchen is fitted with a range of stunning wall and base units in maple and an Aga. The open plan space continues into the breakfast area and conservatory, which has tiled floors and French doors opening onto a patio.

A sitting room leads off the breakfast area and this room also opens onto the patio and the swimming pool beyond. There is also a useful utility room with a butler-style sink and space for a washing machine, and a downstairs cloakroom.

The family bathroom has a modern, white suite with corner bath and tiled floor and walls.

One of the bedrooms has built-in wardrobes while another is currently used as a dressing room with fitted cupboards. There is also an en suite bathroom with white suite including bath and separate multi-jet shower.

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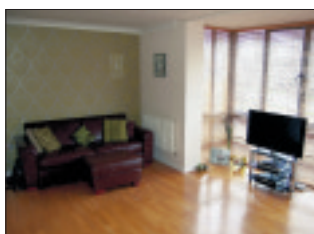
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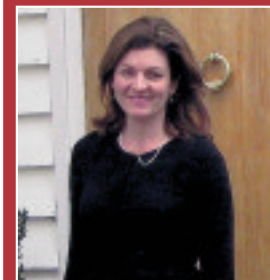
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Tracey Waples
Property Editor

ALTHOUGH many people will be out in force celebrating the Royal wedding this weekend, others are taking advantage of the extra bank holiday for more practical matters such as house hunting.

And the good news is that if you're in the market for a mortgage then things could be looking up.

According to one property specialist there are many attractive deals out there, although strict criteria have to be met.

Paul Holmes, chief executive officer of first-time buyer advice service Firstrung, said that while the mortgage market is certainly improving, not all deals are available to everyone.

Borrowers with a perfect credit history, a deposit in excess of 25 per cent or those looking to borrow a small amount should be able to find a really good mortgage deal, according to Mr Holmes. That may well include Prince William and Kate Middleton but how about the rest of the first time buyers?

The majority of people looking for UK properties may still struggle to find value for money and Firstrung compared the current mortgage environment to the way it was in the 1970s and 1980s.

"It is a very small minority of people that would be buying a new property or moving up and having maybe 30 per cent equity retained from the previous property and only maybe be borrowing two-and-a-half times their salary on a joint income," explained Mr Holmes.

He added that mortgage activity is unlikely to pick up significantly over the next few years, as buyers who are able to find the necessary deposits become increasingly scarce. "Lenders are not about to lend money at 95 per cent loan-to-value if their intelligence is suggesting house prices have perhaps another 35 to 40 per cent to fall," he concluded.

So if you are one of the lucky ones to be in a position to step on to the property ladder, take advantage of this weekend's bank holiday and make those viewing appointments.

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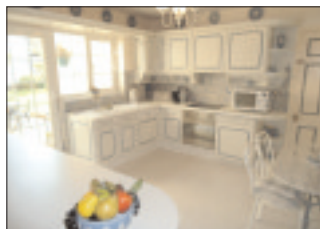


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GILSTON

£585,000

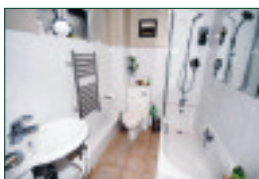


Gilston Park is steeped in history and dates back to the 16th century; it was rebuilt in the mid 1800's and offers a testament to Victorian Gothic architecture. This THREE BEDROOM SPACIOUS APARTMENT offers unique living accommodation, PRIVATE GARDEN, communal grounds and a tennis court set in approximately 13 acres with parking and a garage.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£299,995

NEW PRICE

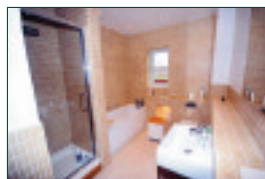


Burtens Mill dates back to the 1880's and were beautifully converted in 1981 into a TWO DOUBLE BEDROOM TWO STOREY character property with fantastic panoramic views over the River Stort. It has been renovated by the current owner to a very high standard and benefits from DOUBLE GLAZING, RECENTLY REFITTED BOILER, KITCHEN, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS and an L-SHAPED LOUNGE with JULIET BALCONY, the only property in Burtens Mill that has this feature. The property also benefits from a GARAGE and has beautiful surrounding communal gardens. The house itself sits on an island and enjoys views to the front and rear over the River Stort.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£409,995

NEW



Tucked away within this PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT is this well presented THREE BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW. The property enjoys a fitted kitchen, dining room, lounge, luxury bathroom and master bedroom with en-suite. A detached garage and driveway provide off road parking via an electric security gate. An attractive low maintenance garden is located to the rear of the bungalow. The village of Sawbridgeworth and mainline station to London are within 10 minutes walking distance. Possible vacant possession is offered.

SHEERING

£229,950



Situated in the popular VILLAGE OF SHEERING is this THREE BEDROOM PROPERTY comprising of a LOUNGE with additional dinning area, FITTED KITCHEN, upstairs accommodation including FAMILY BATHROOM and THREE BEDROOMS. PRIVATE REAR GARDEN, DRIVEWAY to the side of the property and GARAGE.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£495,000

SALE AGREED



A FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW in a delightful cul-de-sac and sits in landscaped gardens. The property offers good size accommodation comprising of a 31ft LOUNGE, DINING ROOM, BESPOKE FITTED KITCHEN and combined family room, EN-SUITE SHOWER ROOM and FAMILY BATHROOM.

HIGH WYCH

OIRO £569,950

SALE AGREED



An ATTRACTIVE 1930'S DETACHED FAMILY HOME SET IN THE SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION OF HIGH WYCH. The property offers TWO LARGE RECEPTION ROOMS, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, study, THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS, family bathroom, detached garage and a 100FT garden with stunning views over farmland.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£650,000

SALE AGREED



A rare opportunity to acquire this SPACIOUS FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED EXECUTIVE family home in the premier location of PISHIOBURY DRIVE. Offering LARGE LOUNGE/FAMILY ROOM, KITCHEN BREAKFAST ROOM, SEPARATE DINING ROOM, 20FT conservatory and master bedroom with dressing area and en suite.



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SAWBRIDGEWORTH

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£379,995



A UNIQUE AND STUNNING FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOM HOUSE located within the SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION of LAWRENCE MOORINGS. Comprises a LARGE KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM, LOUNGE WITH SEPERATE DINING ROOM. Family bathroom, BALCONY and BEAUTIFUL RIVERSIDE AND MARINA VIEWS.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£375,000

NEW PRICE



FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOME comprises KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM; separate UTILITY ROOM, LARGE LOUNGE overlooking the 70 FT REAR GARDEN, family bathroom, FULL DOUBLE GLAZING and GAS CENTRAL HEATING. The current owner has improved the property throughout to a very high standard.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£174,950

NEW



OFFERED WITH VACANT POSSESSION IS THIS SEMI-DETACHED TWO BEDROOM VICTORIAN COTTAGE. This charming cottage comprises a LARGE LOUNGE, KITCHEN/DINER, ground floor bathroom and TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS to the first floor with character throughout. The REAR GARDEN MEASURES SOME 30 FT IN LENGHT.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£249,995



A rare chance to acquire this SPACIOUS THREE DOUBLE BEDROOM PENTHOUSE APARTMENT in the popular Grade II listed Matting's conversion of Waterside Place. Internally the apartment benefits from three double bedrooms, GREAT SIZE LOUNGE, cloakroom, LARGE KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM and LUXURY BATHROOM.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£289,950

NEW



We are delighted to offer for sale this EXTENDED THREE DOUBLE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY situated close to all local amenities the property benefits from TWO RECEPTION ROOMS, luxury ground floor shower room, CONSERVATORY, KITCHEN, FAMILY BATHROOM, rear garden with GARAGE and a DRIVEWAY.

HIGH WYCH

£369,995

NEW PRICE



An impressive INDIVIDUALLY BUILT THREE DOUBLE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED FAMILY HOME built in the traditional style. Offering off road parking, TWO LARGE RECEPTION ROOMS, KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM, downstairs cloakroom, LUXURY BATHROOM and en-suite shower room to master bedroom and private rear garden. Offered with vacant possession.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

£275,000

SALE AGREED



A GOOD SIZE THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW ON A GENEROUS PLOT with VEHICULAR ACCESS TO THE FRONT AND REAR. Internally the property offers good size bedrooms, LOUNGE, SEPERATE DINING ROOM, KITCHEN, utility room, good size garden. OFFERED WITH VACANT POSSESSION.

HATFIELD HEATH

£299,995

SALE AGREED



A CHARMING THREE/FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOME, Situated in the centre of the SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION OF HATFIELD HEATH. The property offers GREAT SIZE ACCOMMODATION THROUGHOUT. Comprising a GROUND FLOOR SHOWER ROOM, large lounge, separate dining room, conservatory.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

Offers Over £405,000

SALE AGREED



DETACHED FOUR BEDROOM PROPERTY in the heart of Sawbridgeworth. Benefiting from FOUR BEDROOMS, TWO RECEPTION ROOMS, FULLY FITTED KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM with utility room, luxurious family bathroom, EN-SUITE to MASTER BEDROOM. LARGE REAR GARDEN LAID TO LAWN.



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PEGRAMS COURT

£129,995



Built around 1995 is this SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT. The property benefits from a COMMUNAL GARDEN, ALLOCATED PARKING, DOUBLE GLAZING, within walking distance of LOCAL SHOPPING FACILITIES.

PENNYMEAD

£159,995

NEW



A chance to acquire this TWO/THREE BEDROOM TERRACED HOUSE, which is located opposite shopping facilities. The property has the benefit of having GAS CENTRAL HEATING, A SPACIOUS LOUNGE, FITTED KITCHEN, a separate STORAGE ROOM, a DOUBLE GLAZED CONSERVATORY and an attractive GARDEN to the rear.

BYNGHAMS

£164,500

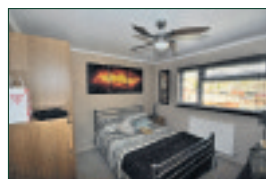


TWO BEDROOM PROPERTY which is in immaculate order throughout in the popular location of Byngams. Comprising of a lounge, Kitchen, NEWLY FITTED BATHROOM, gas central heating, FULLY DOUBLE GLAZED, GARAGE EN-BLOC and private rear garden. There is ample casual parking to the front of the property.

GREEN HILLS

£172,995

NEW



We are delighted to offer for sale this immaculate TWO/THREE BEDROOM terraced house, which is located close to the town centre. The property has GAS HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOWS, FITTED KITCHEN, FULLY TILED BATHROOM, CONSERVATORY, LOUNGE AND DINING ROOM and an attractive rear garden.

AYNSLEY GARDENS

£184,995



A chance to acquire this well presented TWO DOUBLE bedroom terraced house which has THREE ALLOCATED PARKING spaces. The property has GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOWS, CONSERVATORY, spacious LOUNGE, attractive rear GARDEN and is offered with NO ONWARD CHAIN.

RIDGEWAYS

£184,995



We are pleased to be able to offer this TWO BEDROOM terraced house located in a private cul de sac. The property has GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOWS, a FITTED KITCHEN, a SPACIOUS LOUNGE, GARAGE with PARKING, and an attractive REAR GARDEN.

EAST PARK

£189,995

NEW



A chance to acquire this well maintained TWO BEDROOM TERRACED house which is located in the heart of the old town. The property has a THROUGH LOUNGE, A FITTED KITCHEN, GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOWS, a large rear garden and is offered with no onward chain.

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HARLOW

HAREFIELD

£214,995

NEW



This well maintained FOUR BEDROOM TERRACED house is located in a pedestrian square and is located close to SHOPPING FACILITIES. The property has GAS HEATING, A FITTED KITCHEN/DINER, TWO RECEPTION ROOMS, A SYUDY, A GROUND FLOOR WC AND AN ATTRACTIVE REAR GARDEN.

FELMONGERS

£214,995



THREE BEDROOM END OF TERRACED house with open land to the rear. The property has a THROUGH LOUNGE, a FITTED KITCHEN, a DINING ROOM, GAS HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOWS, an attractive rear garden with a SUMMER HOUSE and a DRIVE TO THE FRONT.

HILSBOROUGH HOUSE

£315,000



Offered for sale this LARGE GROUND FLOOR CHARACTER TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT with a private COURTYARD in the impressive conversion of Hillsborough House. Set within Churchgate Street location with a village store and the Queens Head Public House. Still within walking distance of Old Harlow.

MALKIN DRIVE

£284,995

NEW



This FIVE BEDROOM TERRACED house offers superb accommodation and is offered with NO ONWARD CHAIN. The property has gas CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOWS, an EN SUITE SHOWER, a FITTED KITCHEN DINER, an INTEGRAL GARAGE and parking to the front. An early viewing is advised

FIR PARK

£349,995



A chance to acquire this EXTENDED FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOM DETACHED HOME which is located in this popular residential estate. The property has the benefit of having a FITTED KITCHEN, spacious lounge, dining room, ground floor wc, EN SUITE SHOWER ROOM, a garage and an attractive rear garden.

NEW ROAD

£425,000



We are delighted to be able to offer this immaculate extended FOUR BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED house, which is located in the heart of the old town. The property has a THROUGH LOUNGE, A FITTED KITCHEN/DINER, UTILITY ROOM, EN SUITE SHOWER ROOM, ground floor WC, and an INTEGRAL GARAGE and PARKING.

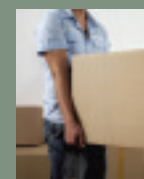
BUILDING PLOTS OLD HARLOW

£499,995

NEW



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UNFURNISHED 1 BEDROOM MAISONETTE situated in the ever popular Church Langley development. The property benefits from an integral garage and garden area. Available early June

CAGE END, HATFIELD BROOKOAK**£1,200pcm****NEW**

UNFURNISHED 3 BEDROOM BARN CONVERSION set over 3 floors. Immaculate throughout and consisting of an open plan lounge/diner. The property benefits from a courtyard garden and car port with further allocated parking space. Available end of May / start of June.

STORTFORD ROAD, HATFIELD HEATH**£1,995pcm****NEW**

UNFURNISHED, 4 DOUBLE BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOME, with 2 en-suites. the property also comprises of a large kitchen/diner and a further 3 reception rooms. further benefits are an enclosed rear garden, garage and large driveway. Available NOW!

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PART-FURNISHED 1 BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT. Situated within the popular fifth avenue development. With high quality finishings to kitchen and bathroom. Available NOW!

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UNFURNISHED 2 BEDROOM MAISONETTE located in the heart of Bush Fair. The property is in good decorative order and with an allocated parking space. New carpets fitted throughout. Available early May.

MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY**£1,300pcm****NEW**

UNFURNISHED 5 BEDROOM TOWNHOUSE Church Langley with good size rear garden, integral garage and parking space. The property has fully fitted kitchen/breakfast room, large reception room, 3 double bedrooms and 2 single rooms. Available early May

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BELFIELD GARDENS

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£369,950

No Chain



RIDGEWAYS

AN EXTENDED TWO BEDROOM END TERRACE WITH EN-SUITE SHOWER ROOM. The property features a garage conversion that now benefits as a 17'2 x 8'2 dining room. There is also a 10'8 x 10'3 conservatory and cloakroom. Other features include gas heating via radiators, uPVC double glazed windows and a fitted kitchen with oven & hob. The property is being sold with no onward chain.

Lounge 14'6 x 13'0, Dining room 17'2 x 8'2, Kitchen 9'9 x 6'4, Bedroom one 11'2 x 9'1, Bedroom two 11'2 x 8'7.

£219,950



BENTLEY DRIVE £224,950

- SOLD on 1st Viewing
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- Free Valuations
- Expert Advice



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Lettings



MALKIN DRIVE £1,150

- Three Bedroom
- En-Suite
- Semi-Detached
- South Facing Garden
- Fitted Kitchen
- Garage / Driveway



ELM COURT £700

- Two Bedrooms
- En-Suite
- Bathroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- Gas C/Heating
- Available Mid May

Lettings

CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

- £850 - Northbrooks, 3b, Unf
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Byngnams

- Two Bedroom End of Terrace
- Kitchen 11'3 x 6'6
- Lounge 17'6 x 11'11
- Bedroom One 11'4 x 12'
- Bedroom Two 12'1 x 10'4
- Fitted Bathroom
- Off Street Parking
- Own Garage

£179,995

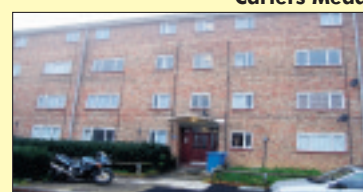


The Fortunes

- Studio Apartment
- Ground Floor
- Double Glazed
- Gas Central Heating
- Bathroom

- Kitchen 12'10 x 5'5
- Lounge 16'4 x 8'9
- Viewing Highly Recommended

£72,500



Carters Mead

- Ground Floor One Bedroom Flat
- No Onward Chain
- Security Entry Phone
- New Carpets Throughout

- Re-decorated
- Close to Local Shops
- Fitted Kitchen
- Plain White Bathroom Suite

£79,995



Larkswood

- Three Bedroom Town House
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Downstairs WC
- Conservatory
- Lounge
- High Standard of Decoration
- Double Glazed
- Gas Central Heating

£229,995



Sherwood House

- Good Size One Bedroom Flat
- Central Bush Fair Location

- Modern Fittings Inside
- Modern Bathroom Suite
- Double Glazed Windows
- No Onward Chain

£84,995



Longbanks

- One Bedroom First Floor Flat
- Own Front Door & Stairway
- No Onward Chain
- Just Refurbished

- Newly Decorated
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Plain White Bath Suite
- Large Ground Floor Storage Shed

£84,995



Corner Meadow

- Three Bedrooms
- Semi-Detached
- Detached Garage
- Parking for up to 5 cars
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Downstairs WC
- Private Development
- Ensuite to Bedroom One
- Viewing Recommended

£237,500



Markwell Wood

- One Bedroom Flat
- Private Block
- Allocated Parking
- Entry Phone System

- Lounge 13'6 x 8'11
- Kitchen Area
- Bedroom 10'6 x 8'
- Bathroom

£106,995



The Mews

- One Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazed Windows
- Excellent

- Decoration Throughout
- Stylish Modern White Bathroom
- Allocated Parking Space
- Popular Private Location

£112,995



Rundells

- Extended Semi detached Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Potential Granny Annex
- Fitted Kitchen
- Downstairs WC
- Large Garden
- Study
- Flexible Accommodation

£249,995



Aynsley Gardens

- One Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
- Ideal First Time Purchase
- Fitted Kitchen
- Shower Room

- Security Entry Phone System
- Allocated Parking
- Close to shops
- Chain Free

£122,995



Morley Grove

- Two Bedroom Flat
- Ground Floor
- Town Centre Location
- Modern Fitted Kitchen

- White Bathroom Suite
- Good Size Rooms
- Sought After Location

£128,000



joyners field

- Three Bedroom End of Terrace
- Dining Room 9'6 x 7'3
- Bedroom one 11'1 x 9'1
- Lounge 16' x 11'9
- Kitchen 11'9 x 9'5
- Bedroom two 10 x 8'10
- Chain Free

OIEO £140,000



Aynsley Gardens

- Two Bedrooms
- First Floor Apartment
- Walking Distance to Tesco

- Allocated Parking
- Lounge 16'11 x 9'8
- Kitchen 14'5 x 11'3
- Viewing Recommended

£149,995



Ladyshot

- Three Bedroom Family Home
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Light Oak Kitchen
- Downstairs WC

- Modern Family Bathroom
- Good Size Bedrooms
- Slow Location
- No Onward Chain

£149,995



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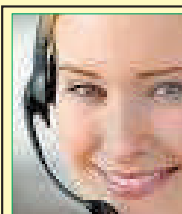
- Three Bedroom Family Home
- Lounge/ Diner 17'7 x 17'
- Front Porch
- Re-fitted Bathroom Suite

- Gas Warm Air Central Heating/ Double glazed
- Full Width Rear Extension
- Good Size Bedrooms
- Landscaped Garden

£155,000



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Longbanks



- Detached
- Three Bedroom Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Modern Kitchen
- Double Glazed
- Good Decorative Order
- On the Edge of Longbanks
- Downstairs Cloakroom

£160,000

Long Ley



- Three Bedroom Family Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Modern White Bathroom Suite
- Double Glazed Windows
- Gas Radiator Central Heating
- Good Size Bedrooms
- Well Established Part of Town

£160,995

Woodcroft



- Extended Two Bedroom Home
- Passmores Area
- Large Lounge
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing
- Separate Dining Room
- Family Bathroom
- Off Road Position

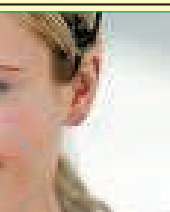
£162,995

Marigold Place, Old Harlow



- Two Bedroom Home
- End of Terrace
- Two Allocated Parking Spaces
- Old Town Location
- Kitchen 9'6" x 7'7"
- Lounge 13'11" x 13'8"
- Bedroom One 10'6" x 9'5"

£174,995



Sales

Brickcroft Hoppit, New Hall



- Two Bedroom End of Terrace
- Open Plan Living
- Separate Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Separate Dining Room
- Lounge
- Rear Garden Approximately 30'
- Double Bedrooms
- Chain Free

£179,950

Little Cattins



- Extended 3/4 Bedroom Home
- Two/Three Reception Rooms
- Large Conservatory
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Modern Fitted Shower Room
- Open Plan Kitchen/Dining Room
- Room
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Double Glazed Windows Throughout
- Gas Radiator to Central Heating
- Availability to Off Road Parking

£189,995

Rushton Grove



- Four Bedroom Family Home
- Semi Detached
- Loft Conversion (4th Bedroom)
- Fitted Kitchen
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Detached Garage
- Parking for Two Car

£249,995



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- Three Bedroom Home
- Overlooking Fields
- Mark Hall Area
- Downstairs WC
- Lounge 12'4" x 11'11"
- Dining Room 8'10" x 8'7"
- Good Decoration throughout
- Viewing Recommended

£189,995

Blackbush Springs



- Newly Built Link Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Driveway & Parking to Front
- Backing onto playing Fields
- Downstairs WC
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Close to SLOW shopping Centre
- Family Bathroom

£189,995

Westfield



- Newly Built
- Four Bedroom Home
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Stylish Modern Fittings Throughout
- Large Lounge
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- En-suite Master Bedroom
- Ready to view

£249,995



Plans

Seymours



- Four/ Five Bedroom House
- Loft Conversion
- Converted Garage
- Downstairs WC
- Front Off Road Parking
- Good Size Accommodation
- No Onward Chain

£199,995

Lodge Hall



- 3 bedroom semi detached
- Off Street Parking
- Garage
- Large extended garden
- Lounge 12'8" x 12'1"
- Bedroom one 12' x 11'2"
- Chain Free
- Downstairs W/C

£209,995

Linford End



- 1930's Built
- Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- Super Bright Rear Extension
- Very Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Large Open Plan Dining Room
- Good Size Front Lounge
- Modern Fitted Bathroom
- Master Bedroom with En-suite Shower Room
- 100' Westerly Facing Landscaped Garden

£294,950

Bentley Drive



- Two Bedroom Semi Detached
- Parking to Side
- Conservatory to the Rear
- Family Bathroom
- Fully Double Glazed
- Gas Central Heating
- Lounge 15'5" x 11'9"
- Viewing Recommended

£209,995

Willowfield



- Three Bedroom Bungalow
- End of Terrace
- Good Size Accommodation
- Attractive Conservatory
- Rarely Available
- Close to Town Centre
- Gas Central Heating
- South Facing Garden

£245,000

Coalport Close



- Six Bedroom Detached
- Cul-de-Sac Position
- Two Reception Rooms
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- En-suite to Master Bedroom
- West Facing Garden
- Garage with Drive
- Double Glazing/GCH

£329,995





PRESTIGIOUS HOMES

at Geoffrey Matthew Estates

The Chase, New Hall



A four bedroom family home offering flexible living accommodation, the property inside enjoys plenty of space with a modern bright kitchen/diner, separate dining room, spacious lounge with bay window to front, four double bedrooms with en-suite shower room, family bathroom, ground floor WC, modern landscaped garden, 4 parking spaces inc. carport. Newhall is a modern award winning development on the outskirts of Old Harlow.

£324,995

Hare Street, Harlow



A most attractive period four bedroom detached property, built in 1893 and holds many other character properties. Inside Rosemont, enjoys two large reception rooms, including a dual aspect lounge and dining room, fitted kitchen to the rear, downstairs cloakroom, a master bedroom with en-suite shower, three further bedrooms, a large family bathroom, the master bathroom and en-suite are a more recent addition to the property. Outside the property is set nicely back from the road, driveway providing ample parking and a mature rear garden.

£359,995

Tye Green Village, Harlow



The Yardlings is a heritage site that is though to be included in the Domesday Book. It has recently been developed including the main house and outbuildings and we are offering The Stables for sale. This particular dwelling has been refurbished to a very high specification throughout. You approach the property through an electric gated entrance offering the whole development both security and privacy. The property offers three bedrooms with en-suite to Bedroom One, landscaped garden, allocated parking for three cars and is offered with no chain.

£394,995

Curteys, Old Harlow



A four bedroom detached family home located in this quiet cul de sac development in Old Harlow. The property itself enjoys a large lounge, fitted kitchen, large study within the front extension, dining room and extended hallway. Four good size bedrooms, a family bathroom, en-suite shower room to the master bedroom. The property has a detached garage & driveway, access via the rear gate and adjacent parking at the front.

£449,995

The Chase, New Hall



An interesting designed five bedroom home of unique character situated in the New Hall Development. This property also has included a detached two storey annexe with a roof terrace at the rear of the garden. With four bathrooms/en-suites, open balconies, three sun rooms, a comfortable and modern kitchen/dining room and a large stylish lounge. The current owners are also offering this property with no onward chain.

OIEO £429,995

Millersdale, Harlow



Millersdale is a small cul de sac of detached homes, located in the Kingsmoor area, property is set well back from the road with a good frontage and an 85' long rear garden. The property inside enjoys three/four bedrooms, lounge/diner, modern fitted kitchen, modern cloakroom and family bathroom and an attached garage and work shop. The property is beautifully presented throughout in excellent decorative order and a viewing is recommended.

£329,995

Wayside Farm



A three/four bedroom detached Chalet bungalow situated with uninterrupted viewings over Harlow Common. The property itself does require some updating but enjoys a large lounge, kitchen/diner, utility, a dining room which can be used as bedroom four, three further first floor bedrooms, a large garage, plenty of parking and a large garden with a 1/4 acre plot. This property also has current planning permission for a five bedroom house. Please enquire within.

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Old Harlow, High Street



- High Street Location
- Ideal For Shops And Amenities
- Close To Harlow Mill Station
- Available Now
- Part Furnished
- One Double Bedroom
- Lounge With Extra Office Space

£600 pcm

Aynsley Gardens



- Two Bedrooms
- First Floor Maisonette
- Fitted Kitchen with Appliances
- Furnished
- Off Road Parking
- Available Now

£700 pcm

Savoy Wood



- Modern Two Bedroom Home
- Re-Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Will be re-decorated throughout
- White Goods Included
- Available 22nd April 2011
- Allocated Parking Space
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Located on outskirts of Harlow/Epping Green Borders

£800 pcm

Potter Street



- Period Cottage Circa 1830's
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- First Floor Bathroom
- Attractive Rear Garden
- Parking for Two Vehicles
- Unfurnished
- Available Now

£800 pcm

Colvers



- Four Bedroom Semi-Detached Home
- Very Popular Location, Close to Village Green
- Unfurnished
- Plenty of Parking
- Large Garden
- Fitted Kitchen, Separate Dining Room
- Local JMI School & Village Public House
- Available Now

£1,350 pcm

Church Langley



- Five Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Lounge And Separate Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Two En-Suites
- Garden Backing Onto Harlow Common
- Garage & Driveway
- Available End of July

£1,500 pcm

Spring Hills



- Refurbished Studio Apartment
- Close To Harlow Princess Alexandra Hospital
- Close To Town Centre
- Fully Furnished
- Own Rear Garden
- Available Now
- Call Today To View

£500 pcm

Old Harlow



- 1/2 Bedroom First Floor Flat
- 2nd Bedroom loft room/office
- Available Now
- Fitted Kitchen with oven
- Close to Old Harlow Mill train station
- Close to local shops

£650 pcm

Brays Mead



- Well Presented Two Double Bedroom House
- Rear Garden
- Lounge Diner
- Fitted Kitchen With
- Appliances Available Now
- Fitted Bathroom With Shower

£750 pcm

Cannons Gate



- Two Double Bedrooms
- Mid Terrace Property
- Double Glazing
- Kitchen with Integrated Appliances
- Close to Town Centre
- Available Now

£800 pcm

Potter Street



Pennymead



- Period Cottage Circa 1830's
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Downstairs Bathroom
- Parking for Two Vehicles
- Attractive Rear Garden
- Unfurnished
- Available Early May

£875 pcm

Old Harlow



- Three Bedroom House
- Large Attractive Rear Garden
- Lounge & Dining Area
- Fitted Kitchen
- Separate WC
- Available Now

£875 pcm

Old Harlow



- Luxury Two Bedroom Apartment
- Ground Floor
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- Master Bedroom with En-suite

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Hawthorns, Harlow

Feature Property

- 4 Bedrooms
- Detached
- Garage
- Driveway For 4 Cars
- Four Piece Bathroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- En-suite To Master Room
- Dining Room
- Cloakroom
- Stunning Garden
- Private Location
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- Stunning Location
- Backing Onto Fields
- No Onward Chain



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Lutton Green, Harlow

- 4 Bedrooms
- Semi Detached
- Garage & Shared Drive
- Two Receptions
- Stunning Bathroom
- Very Large Garden



£274,995

Linford End, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Semi Detached
- Extended To Rear
- Luxury Kitchen
- Ample Parking
- Viewing Advised



£268,995

Deer Park, Harlow

- 3 Bedroom
- Semi Detached House
- Garage & Driveway
- Stunning Kitchen
- Gnd Floor WC
- Chain Free



£249,995

Halling Hill, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Semi Detached House
- Garage & Driveway
- Gnd Floor Shower
- Utility Room
- Close To Amenities



£214,995

Sakins Croft, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Semi Detached
- Two Receptions
- Garage & Shared Drive
- Great Location
- Chain Free



£194,950

Rushon Grove, Church Langley

- 2 Bedrooms
- Terraced House
- Two Parking Spaces
- Conservatory
- Double Glazing
- Chain Free



£171,995

Tithelands, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Terraced House
- Own Parking Space
- Stunning Kitchen
- Large Bedrooms
- Immaculate Property



£169,950

Fold Croft, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Terraced House
- Fitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Large Bedrooms
- Chain Free



£159,995

Spinning Wheel Mead, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Terraced House
- Double Glazed Windows
- Large Kitchen/Utility
- Gas Heating
- Chain Free



£149,995

Five Acres, Harlow

- 3 Bedrooms
- Terrace House
- New Kitchen & Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Downstairs WC
- Offers Invited



£97,500

Peterswood, Harlow

- 1 Bedroom
- 1st Floor Flat
- Newly Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Heating
- Great Investment
- Viewing Advised



£89,995

Church End, Harlow

- 1/2 Bedrooms
- 1st Floor Flat
- White Bathroom Suite
- Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Heating
- Priced For Quick Sale



£86,000

Spring Hills Tower, Harlow

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- Lift Access
- Chain Free



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HARLOW

- 2 Bedroom
- Split Maisonette
- Garden
- Refurbished!
- Close To Town

£800 pcm



HARLOW

- Mid terrace house
- Three bedrooms
- Garden
- Unfurnished
- Available shortly

£800 pcm



CHURCH
LANGLEY

- Mid terraced house
- Two bedrooms
- Garden and O.S.P.
- Popular area
- Available June

£825 pcm



Sawbridgeworth

- 2 Double Bedrooms
- Garage
- Large Reception
- Completely Refurbished
- Sought After Area!

£900 pcm



CHURCH
LANGLEY

- 3 Bed Semi Detached
- Quiet cul-de-sac
- Garage conversion
- En-suite
- Large Driveway

£1,050 pcm



TATTON STREET,
Newhall

- 3 Bedrooms
- Modern build
- Garden
- Balcony / En-suite
- Allocated Parking

£1,250 pcm



STANSTEAD
ABBOTTS

- Semi detached house
- Four bedrooms
- 2 Receptions
- Large garden with summer house
- Available now part/furn

£1,350 pcm



CHURCH
LANGLEY

- 4 Bedrooms
- Detached
- Large Garden
- Garage & driveway
- Available now

£1,350 pcm



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Perry Springs

- OPEN DAY •
- SATURDAY 30TH APRIL •
- Three Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge To The Front
- Kitchen/Diner To The Rear
- Bathroom & Separate WC

£139,995



Davenport

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge To The Front
- Kitchen / Diner To The Rear
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Rear Garden Approx 25ft
- Allocated Parking

£164,995



Chapelfields

- Three Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge To The Front
- Separate Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen To The Rear
- Double Glazed Windows
- Rear Garden Approx 75ft

**Offers Over
£165,000**



Coalport Close

- Two Bedroom End Terrace
- Lounge To The Front
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Rear Garden Approx 30ft
- Allocated Parking

£179,995



Coalport Close

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge/Diner
- Two Double Bedrooms
- UPVC Conservatory
- Rear Garden Approx 25ft
- Allocated Parking

£179,995



Challinor

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- Kitchen To The Front
- Lounge/Diner To The Rear
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Rear Garden Approx 25ft

£179,995



East Park

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- 19ft Through Lounge/Diner
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Driveway For Two Vehicles
- Rear Garden Approx 72ft

£189,995



Westbury Rise

- Two Bedroom End Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen To The Front
- Lounge/Diner To The Rear
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Rear Garden Approx 35ft

£189,995



Abbeydale Close

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- CHAIN FREE
- Lounge To The Front
- Kitchen / Diner To The Rear
- UPVC CONSERVATORY
- Rear Garden Approx 30ft

£194,995



Elwood

- Three Bed Semi Detached
- Fitted Kitchen / Diner
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Rear Garden Approx 35ft
- Garage With Driveway

**Offers Over
£215,000**



The Hoo

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- Re-fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge To The Front
- Shower Room
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Rear Garden Approx 35ft

£219,995



Malkin Drive

- Three Bed Link Detached
- Dual Aspect Lounge
- Separate Dining Room
- Kitchen To The Rear
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- UPVC Double Glazing

£269,995



Broadway

- Three Bed Semi Detached
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Separate Dining Room
- Lounge To The Rear
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- Swimming Pool in Garden

£274,995



Malkin Drive

- Three Bed Link Detached
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- 16ft Lounge
- UPVC Conservatory
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- Rear Garden Approx 30ft

**Offers Over
£280,000**



Challinor

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Kitchen & Utility Room
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- En-Suite To Master Bedroom
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Rear Garden Approx 35ft

£284,995



Coalport Close

- Six Bedroom Detached
- Laid Out Over Three Floors
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- En-Suite To Master Bedroom
- Rear Garden Approx 35ft
- Tandem Length Garage

£329,995



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Collins Meadow

£177,950

- Split Level Two Bedroom
- End Of Terrace
- Conservatory
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- 0.8 Miles To Town Centre



Deer Park

£268,950

- Three Bedroom House
- Semi-Detached
- CHAIN FREE
- Garage
- Dining Room
- Driveway For Three Cars
- Sought After Location



Moorfield

£89,950

- Kingsmoor Area
- One Bedroom
- First Floor Flat
- Double Glazed
- 93 Year Lease



Milwards

£139,995

- Four Bedroom House
- Mid Terrace
- Downstairs W/C
- CHAIN FREE
- Double Glazed
- Gas Central Heating (Untested)
- Utility Room



Little Grove Field

£153,995

- Two Bedroom House
- Mid Terrace
- Lounge/Diner
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Hare Street Location



Sycamore

£155,000

- Three Bedroom House
- End Of Terrace
- Chain Free
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Downstairs W/C
- Utility Room
- Rear Garden



Felmongers

£159,500

- Two Bedroom House
- Mark Hall South Area
- Double Glazed
- End Of Terrace
- Garden approx 40ft
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Chain Free



Hollyfield

£160,000

- Three Bedroom
- Terraced House
- Extended Lounge
- Downstairs W/C
- Double Glazed Windows
- Gas Central Heating



Tilbury Mead

**O.I.E.O
£180,000**

- Three Bedroom House
- Mid Terrace
- Downstairs W/C
- Conservatory
- Double Glazed Windows
- Brays Grove Area



Felmongers

£189,995

- Three Bedroom House
- End Of Terrace
- Double Glazed Windows
- L-Shaped Lounge
- Kitchen 12ft
- Garden : Approx 50ft

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THE OLD SCHOOL, EASTWICK
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● Sitting Room ● Former Victorian School
● Well Fitted Kitchen ● Little Known Village



£450,000
CHURCHGATE STREET, OLD HARLOW
● Three Bedrooms ● Detached Property
● Two Receptions ● Carport & Driveway
● Kitchen / Diner ● Annex or Studio



NEW ON
£135,000
MARIGOLD PLACE, OLD HARLOW
● Two Bedrooms ● Top Floor Apartment
● Large Lounge ● Close To Station
● Kitchen / Diner ● Allocated Parking



£285,000
BURY ROAD, OLD HARLOW
● Three Bedrooms ● Semi Detached
● Two Receptions ● Outbuilding / Studio
● Ground Floor Bathroom ● Conservation Area



£595,000
PERRYFIELD, MATCHING
● Four Bedrooms ● Detached Bungalow
● Conservatory ● Double Garage
● Southely Gardens ● Village Location



REDUCED
£189,995
GUILFORDS, OLD HARLOW
● Three Bedrooms ● Terrace House
● Kitchen / Diner ● Off Road Location
● Ground Floor WC ● Private Garden



£295,000
METHODIST CHURCH, OLD HARLOW
● Two Bedrooms ● Former Chapel
● Two Bathrooms ● Striking Decor
● Vaulted Lounge ● Courtyard Garden



NEW ON
£825,000
MILL STREET, HASTINGWOOD
● 4 or 5 Bedrooms ● Detached House
● 2/3 Receptions ● In About 6 Acres
● Outbuildings ● Various Potential



£249,995
BURY ROAD, OLD HARLOW
● Two Bedrooms ● Mid Terrace
● Two Receptions ● Loft Space
● Totally Renovated ● South Facing Garden



£369,995
OLD ROAD, OLD HARLOW
● Three Bedroom ● Detached Property
● Two Receptions ● Office / Outbuilding
● Period Features ● Heart Of Old Town



£1,350,000
HOUSHAM TYE, HARLOW
● Detached House ● Stables & Menage
● 6.5 Acres STLS ● Outbuildings
● Swimming Pool ● Rural Location

Harlow



James Howick
01279 401907



£177,500
TYLNEY CROFT, HARLOW
● Three Bedrooms ● End Terrace Property
● Updated Throughout ● Popular Location
● New Kitchen ● Chain Free



£275,000
MORNINGTONS, HARLOW
● Four Bedrooms ● Linked Detached
● Kitchen / Diner ● Converted Garage
● Ground Floor W.C. ● Driveway & Car Port



£179,995
RUSHES MEAD, HARLOW
● Three Bedrooms ● End Terrace Property
● Study / Playroom ● Off Road Location
● Lounge / Diner ● Chain Free



£335,000
FOSTER STREET, HARLOW
● Detached Bungalow ● Two Bedrooms
● Lounge / Diner ● In Need Of Work
● Out Buildings ● Very Long Gardens



£184,000
CHURCHFIELD, HARLOW
● Three Bedroom ● End Terrace Property
● 20ft Kitchen / Diner ● Conservation Area
● Ground Floor W.C. ● Chain Free



NEW ON
£350,000
TYE GREEN VILLAGE, HARLOW
● Two Or Three Bedrooms ● Detached Property
● Conservatory ● Bedroom / Study
● Japanese Style Garden ● Popular Location



NEW ON
£220,000
SAKINS CROFT, HARLOW
● Three Bedrooms ● Semi Detached
● Kitchen / Diner ● Garden Room
● Garage & Parking ● Chain Free



£485,000
HILLY FIELD, HARLOW
● Four Bedrooms ● Detached Property
● Three Receptions ● Secluded Location
● Garden Room ● Landscaped Gardens

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- One Bedroom
 - First Floor
 - Southerly Facing
 - Apartment
 - Open Plan Living
 - Allocated Parking



- £169,995**
COALPORT CLOSE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Two Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Diner
 - Cul-De-Sac Location
 - Terraced
 - Re-Fitted Bathroom
 - Allocated Parking



- £174,995**
BENTLEY DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Two Double Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Diner
 - Upgraded Windows
 - Terraced
 - Cul-De-Sac Spot
 - Own Parking

Local Property Comment



Alan Howick
01279 401902

A week in the life.....

I very rarely speak, or even see other estate agents, not by choice, it's just the way it is.

Anyway, for some reason, I have 'bumped' into a couple just recently and naturally the normal conversation starts up "how's it going, doing well?" Normally I treat such questions with contempt like a complete stranger asking me "how are you today?" My equally annoying reply would normally be "none of your business!" or "are you a doctor?" or words to that effect!!

But on this occasion I was genuinely interested to see if other agents views and experiences were similar to mine, hoping they would be honest with their views!

That's another story!!

But, it does seem, other agents are likeminded to me, it's getting better..... BUT! The big BUT being, be sensible with your price and you will find a buyer!

I agree with that, harmony amongst agents, I must be getting soft!

Alan Howick



- £179,500**
HADLEY GRANGE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Two Bedrooms
 - Lounge/Diner
 - CHAIN FREE
 - Terraced House
 - Southerly Gardens
 - Allocated Parking



- £189,995**
BENTLEY DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Two Double Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Diner
 - 52ft Rear Garden
 - End Of Terrace
 - Immaculate Condition
 - Own Parking



- £209,995**
CHELSEA GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Two Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Diner
 - Well maintained
 - End Of Terrace
 - CHAIN FREE
 - Garage & Driveway



- £210,000**
ALEXANDRA ROAD, NEWHALL
- Two Bedrooms
 - Open Plan Reception
 - High Specification
 - Mews Apartment
 - Own Garage
 - Feature Sun Terrace



- £224,995**
ASHWORTH PLACE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Two Bedrooms
 - Lounge/Diner
 - Southerly Garden
 - End Terrace
 - Great Location
 - Garage & Drive



- £225,000**
THE CHASE, NEWHALL
- Three Bedrooms
 - Open Plan
 - En-Suite Shower
 - Maisonette
 - CHAIN FREE
 - Undercroft Parking



- £237,500**
RUSHTON GROVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - Two Receptions
 - Downstairs W.C.
 - Semi Detached
 - Croudace Build
 - Garage & Driveway



- £237,500**
HONEY ROAD, LITTLE CANFIELD, DUNMOW
- Three Bedrooms
 - Open Plan Living
 - Immaculate Home
 - End Of Terrace
 - En-Suite & W.C.
 - Attached Garage

Church Langley & Newhall



Ben Johnson
01279 401906



- £239,995**
PILKINGTONS, CHURCH LANGLEY
- 3/4 Bedrooms
 - 20ft Lounge/Diner
 - Conservatory
 - Semi Detached
 - CHAIN FREE
 - Parking For Two



- £244,995**
VICTORIA GATE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - Two Receptions
 - Semi Detached
 - En-Suite Shower
 - Good Condition
 - Garage With Drive



- £249,950**
MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Diner
 - Westerly Garden
 - End Of Terrace
 - Two Bathrooms
 - Allocated Parking

Barbara's Pick Of The Week



Barbara Brooker
01279 401903



- £249,950**
MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Diner
 - Garage & Drive
 - Semi Detached
 - CHAIN FREE
 - En-Suite & W.C.



- £260,000**
MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - 20ft Receptions
 - Immaculate Home
 - Link Detached
 - En-Suite & W.C.
 - Garage & Parking



- £274,995**
CHELSEA GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - Two Receptions
 - Ground Floor W.C.
 - Detached House
 - En-Suite Shower
 - Garage & Drive



- £299,995**
DAVENPORT, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Three Bedrooms
 - Kitchen/Family Room
 - Detached House
 - En-Suite & W.C.
 - Converted Garage



- £200,000**
GUILFORDS, OLD HARLOW
- Chain Free and offering fantastic value for money, semi detached, three great size bedrooms and a nice location with views over Harlowbury meadow.



- £299,995**
TATTON STREET, NEWHALL
- Three Bedrooms
 - Open Plan Living
 - En-Suite & W.C.
 - Semi Detached
 - Over Three Floors
 - Driveway



- £329,995**
COALPORT CLOSE, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Six Bedrooms
 - Two Receptions
 - Loft Extension
 - Detached House
 - En-Suite & W.C.
 - Garage & Drive



- £329,995**
ELWOOD, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Four Bedrooms
 - Two Receptions
 - Utility & W.C.
 - Detached House
 - En-Suite Shower
 - Garage & Drive



- £364,995**
CHELSEA GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY
- Five Bedrooms
 - Two Receptions
 - Southerly Gardens
 - Detached House
 - Utility & W.C.
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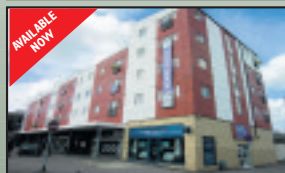
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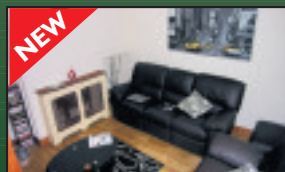
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Nissan packs a power punch

By Matt Joy

IT'S an icon of Japanese performance and its predecessors had a habit of humbling supercars for breakfast. Say hello to the 2011-spec Nissan GT-R.

There's no mistaking it for anything else. Its exterior design is focused on channelling air, feeding the engine and brakes and keeping it stuck to the road for as long as physically possible.

Not that it is unattractive as a result; far from it in fact. It just has the simple appeal of a finely-honed chef's knife – purposeful and mightily effective.

There are plenty of other detail tweaks too. Sharpened aerodynamics, lighter wheels, improved cooling, retuned suspension and upgraded tyres, better cabin materials and even a low fuel consumption mode for when the mood takes you. This is more than just an annual update.

One thing that hasn't changed is the performance. Of course there is a little more power: an increase to take it to a Ferrari-bashing 523bhp. As ever, this power is channelled through a six-speed dual clutch gearbox to the fiendishly clever four-wheel drive system.

Clever because the numerous electronic brains constantly monitor a whole range of

vehicle parameters in order to achieve maximum acceleration and minimal slip. If that sounds like a dull way of going about things, then you could not be more wrong.

For a car that will nudge 200mph in a straight line, it is anything but intimidating. Pop open the sleek aluminium door handle to climb inside and the layout before you is purposeful but welcoming.

The small, chunky steering wheel has the feel of a racing car, and the superb Recaro seats adjust over a wide range. But however it's set it will clamp you in place, ready for the G-forces to come.

Start up, slip the transmission lever into automatic and you'll wonder what all the fuss is about. It pulls away as seamlessly as a family hatch with only a rumble from the exhausts and the firmness of the ride to give any indication

that there's more on offer. There's even the option of softening up the suspension for bumpier roads, as well as setting the stability control and rear diff to more sympathetic settings. It will even operate in two-wheel drive during tight manoeuvres to avoid any unpleasant transmission shunt.

Like any true supercar of the modern age, it can do the boring stuff without throwing tantrums and making you wish you'd taken the bus. It's a true everyday supercar and you'll take every mile of it without hesitation for the pleasure it provides when the road conditions go in your favour.

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FACTfile

Nissan GT-R

PRICE

£69,950

Engine: 3.6-litre petrol unit producing 523bhp
Transmission: Six-speed dual clutch driving all four wheels
Performance: Top speed 196mph / 0-62mph in 3.1 secs
Economy: 23.5mpg (combined)
Emissions: 279g/km

Even the smallest gap in traffic is enough. The merest squeeze of the accelerator brings in the twin turbochargers and despite the mammoth output there is a large wedge of torque available from low revs. But if you want the full effect, switch the transmission to manual, sharpen the suspension and transmission modes and push the throttle to the floor.

Before you get to the carpet the GT-R surges forward and begins to eat up the asphalt in front. Beyond 3,000rpm the scenery starts to blur and your eyes will instinctively widen, all accompanied by a purposeful roar from the tailpipes.

Should you be on a suitable stretch of straight and derestricted road, the GT-R will punch all the way up to a spectacular 196mph with the seamlessness of the

gearchanges simply adding to the dramatic acceleration. There may be hypercars that could out run it, but none of them can match the GT-R's ability to deploy this performance so easily and so frequently.

And all this drama can be brought to a halt in a flash thanks to the mighty carbon brakes. Lean hard on them and they will not wilt, a twitch of the steering wheel and it will dive in to the bend exactly as your inputs demand. The grip on offer is eye-widening and you have complete control aided by the four-wheel drive system for maximum acceleration out the other side.

It has the capability to despatch bends far above what the average driver would think possible and yet all the time you are kept completely in the loop with a constant stream of feedback through the steering wheel.

It's a sensory overload when you want and yet it can cope with the humdrum without breaking sweat. It has the kudos and the looks to turn heads wherever it goes and needs no excuses when pulling alongside the established supercar hierarchy.

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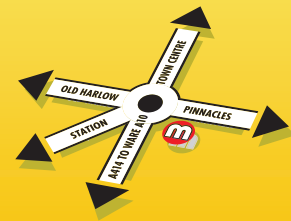


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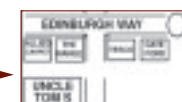
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List your qualifications and education history, with the most recent first. You don't need to list the grades for each exam you have passed unless they were exceptional results - simply listing the number and type of exams you've passed is fine. Also, list any relevant professional organisations you belong to and training courses you have been on.

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Add a covering letter

The main aim of a covering letter is to encourage an employer to give you a chance. You want them to read your CV, so sell it to them. You should always enclose a covering letter when applying for a job - most employers won't consider you unless you do.

A covering letter should let the employer know why you are interested in the job and why you think you can do it.

The hints and tips below should point you in the right direction:

- Keep it simple. A covering letter should be short and to the point - no more than six paragraphs.
- Mention the job. If you are replying to an advert, mention what the job is and where you saw it. The company may be advertising for other positions and it may not be clear which job you are applying for.
- Sell yourself. Explain why you are the perfect candidate for the job. Show off your strengths and experience. Refer to your CV - if it goes missing then at least an employer will know that you've sent it.
- Check it for mistakes. A silly spelling mistake in a covering letter is likely to cost you your chance of getting an interview. Also, make sure it is addressed to the right person in the right department.

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YOUNG looking 41yr old female, tall, slim, long blonde hair, seeks tall, young looking male, 40-41 for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 384354

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SLIM attractive blonde, interesting, looking to further life's experiences with adventurous male. Any age. Can travel/accommodate. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 358155

47YR old black female, professional, single mum, likes most things, seeks professional white male for relationship. Cumberwell. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 354075

FEMININE friendly, attractive female, 5ft 6ins, dark hair, green eyes, curly, likes travel, home life, walks, sports, seeks down to earth male, 55-65 with good personality for friendship/relationship. Essex. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 353523

OUTGOING lonely housewife 39, busty attractive, leggy, blonde, WLTm male for daytime meet. Can accommodate. Any age/status. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 363295

35YR old outgoing female looking for someone who WLTm up for fun adult dates. Can accommodate. Any age/status. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 361757

CARIBBEAN female, 60, 5ft 2ins, size 14, likes travel, cinema, theatre, seeks gentleman, 60-65. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 321075

WIDOW petite, young 65, genuine, loyal, caring, many interests, seeks slim male soul mate, N/S, 60-70 to enjoy happy times together. Hertfordshire. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 355257

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SINGLE mum, 30, pretty, slim, dark hair, hazel eyes, seeks male, 25-35 for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 200228

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VOLUPTUOUS kind, intelligent lady, size 22-24, likes travel, home, garden, seeks gent with similar interests for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 363873

INEXPERIENCED pretty female 18, likes to look after herself and look good, seeks older free spirited male to look after me. Status/race unimportant. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 358161

FLIRTY 30, very attractive confident slim brunette, looking for fun times with male. Single dad welcome. Can accommodate. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 363181

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ATTRACTIVE slim well educated spontaneous blonde, 36, fed up with being alone WLTm keen tactile man who is up for a challenge. Tel No: 0905 436 0516 Box No: 362887

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RYMAN LEAGUE

Up to and including Mon Apr 25, 2011
Division One North

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
East Thurrock U...	30	5	4	90	35	95	
Needham Market...	26	8	5	94	48	86	
HARLOW TOWN...	21	7	11	60	50	70	
Brentwood Tn...	20	9	10	73	52	69	
Wingate & Finch...	20	9	10	69	52	69	
Enfield Town...	20	5	14	74	44	65	
AFC Sudbury...	18	11	10	81	63	65	
Maldon & Tiptree	18	9	12	70	63	63	
Grays Athletic...	17	13	13	68	50	60	
Heybridge Sw...	16	10	13	74	57	58	
Waltham Abbey...	16	9	14	73	61	57	
Romford...	16	7	16	63	63	55	
Potters Bar Tn...	13	9	17	59	68	48	
Gt Wakering R...	40	13	5	22	60	82	44
Ware...	12	6	21	54	75	42	
Redbridge...	10	8	21	49	77	38	
Cheshunt...	10	8	21	49	80	38	
Tilbury...	11	4	24	61	64	37	
Thamesmead Tn...	10	6	23	39	71	36	
Ilford...	8	8	23	40	74	32	
Waltham Forest...	5	8	26	39	90	23	
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Final table

London 2 North East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rochford...	22	19	1	2	682	283	94
Braintree...	22	20	0	2	662	270	93
Romford...	22	17	1	4	628	282	86
Chelmsford...	22	15	3	4	611	338	80
Ipswich...	22	12	1	9	456	471	63
Canvey Island...	22	10	1	11	464	431	50
S Walden...	22	9	0	13	411	553	47
E Ignatians...	22	7	0	15	362	509	37
O Streetonians...	22	6	0	16	385	589	31
Beccles...	22	5	1	16	318	501	31
Sudbury...	22	5	0	17	395	637	31
HARLOW...	22	3	0	19	250	750	20

FOOTPRINT BISHOP'S STORTFORD,
STANSTED & DISTRICT LEAGUE

Up to & inc Mon Apr 25

Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	Pt
North Weald...	18	14	2	2	30
Old Street...	21	13	3	5	29
Alemite Athletic...	17	13	1	3	27
Heath Rovers...	20	13	0	7	26
Sheering...	18	8	2	8	18
Avondale Rangers...	21	4	5	12	13
Birchanger...	20	3	2	15	8
Hatfield Heath...	21	2	1	18	5

FIXTURES

SATURDAY APRIL 30
FOOTBALL

RYMAN LEAGUE, div one north: Needham Market v Harlow Tn.
FOOTPRINT BISHOP'S STORTFORD, STANSTED & DISTRICT, Inter Divisional Cup final: Alemite Ath res v Hatfield Heath res.

CRICKET

HERTS & ESSEX, div one: Bishop's Stortford III v Harlow Tn.

TUESDAY MAY 3
FOOTBALL

RYMAN LEAGUE, div one north play-off semi-final: Harlow Tn v Brentwood/Needham Market/Wingate & Finchley (venue of this match yet to be determined - log onto www.harlowstar.co.uk for confirmation this Saturday evening).

Point enough for play-offs

Harlow Tn 1, Ware 1

Ryman, division one north

By DAVID RIMMER

IT was all smiles after Harlow Town heard they had clinched a play-off spot with just a game to spare.

Before Harlow's Easter Monday home clash against Ware, AFC Sudbury were the only team outside the top five that could stop the Hawks from gaining a play-off spot.

However, when news came through that AFC Sudbury had drawn 2-2, the Harlow players and fans knew their place in the play-offs was safe - despite the 1-1 draw against close neighbours Ware.

Hawks boss Danny Chapman said: "We have done fantastically to get into the play-offs after where we were in January. "We have had a great unbeaten run and the players have done really well."

With centre-half Lee Gledhill ruled out through a hamstring injury after Harlow's 2-1 win at Waltham Forest, Leo Roget was recalled for the Ware game.

Harlow fell behind in only the third minute when their

defence reacted slowly to a Ware attack.

After Roget tackled Ware forward Ryan Wade, the ball fell loose and Matthew Mitchell crossed from the right side of the box before Emiel Aiken tapped home from a few yards.

Nine minutes later, Dave Cowley had a goal-bound chip half cleared seconds before Steve Ferguson fired wide.

Ware had their moments and on 20 minutes a brilliant back heel from Mitchell set up Dave Edmee, whose sliced shot Donny Barnard cleared from the lurking Wade.

Subsequent first-half action saw Bertie Brayley force two

blocks from alert Ware keeper Obey Murefu.

Harlow improved after half-time. The inventive Cowley chipped just over on 65 minutes before Brayley fired wide as Harlow's pressure told.

The equaliser arrived on 73 minutes. A through ball into the box from Hawks substitute and ex-Ware winger Luke Marshall - playing against his old club for the first time since he joined Harlow in March - resulted in Brayley being brought down by ex-Hawks full-back Joe Clemo.

Referee Ashvin Degnarain pointed to the penalty spot before booking Clemo.

Brown smashed the penalty

straight down the middle.

Harlow had a penalty claim turned down when Marshall appeared to be fouled just inside the box by Murefu on 80 minutes.

At the other end, Mitchell shot across the face of goal and wide for Ware on 81 minutes.

Chapman added: "We were poor in the first half but we said a few words at half-time and improved a lot after the break. We should really have won it."

HARLOW TN: Hasell 5, Barnard 5, D Brown 6, Roget 6, Stewart 6, Kilapi 5, Ferguson 5 (Marshall 64 6), Lalite 6, Brayley 6 (Peagram 90), Antoine 5 (Roache 64 5), Cowley 7. Subs not used: Taylor, D. R Brown. Att: 345.



PEN PAL: Danny Brown scores from the spot against Ware (HSP0731029). Dave Cowley cannot believe it as another chance goes begging (HSP0731027)



Bale an international?

2. In the 2006-07 season what position did Spurs finish in the league?

3. How old was Steve Perryman when he became captain?

4. From which club did Tottenham sign Paul Gascoigne, pictured left, in 1988?

5. Spurs have won the League Cup four times - but in what years?

6. For which Japanese team did Gary Lineker sign when he left White Hart Lane in 1992?

7. New Bishop's Stortford manager and former Spurs goalkeeper Ian Walker, pictured right, played in goal for 37 of the 38 league games in the 1996/97 season. But who took his place for the game he missed?

8. Against which team did Ricky Villa, pictured far right, make his goalscoring Spurs debut in a 1-1

away draw during August 1978?

9. From which team did Darren Anderton join the Lilywhites in 1992?

10. What does the club's Latin motto *audere est facere* mean?

11. In what year was the club formed?

12. Who scored a hat-trick for Spurs in the Champions League play-off second leg in a 4-0 home win during August 2010?

13. Which team did Tottenham beat 9-0 to register their record League win, playing in the second division during October 1977?

14. In what year did Spurs first win the FA Cup?

15. Who were the club's first shirt sponsors?

16. The Spurs ground is actually situated on the High Road in Tottenham. But what is the London postcode?

17. In what year did the club move to White Hart Lane?

18. Can you name the London club that Harry Redknapp has both played for and managed in his career?

19. Which Midlands team did David Ginola join when he left White Hart Lane in 2000?

20. In what year was Glenn Hoddle appointed manager?

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Boss slams pitch after scrappy win

Waltham Forest 1, Harlow Tn 2

Ryman, division one north

HAWKS boss Danny Chapman Kitchener Road pitch a 'disgrace' as his Harlow Town side kept their play-off quest on track with a scrappy win at Waltham Forest on Saturday.

The surface was bare and bumpy, making controlled football difficult.

Chapman said: "It was just about getting the result. The pitch was a disgrace - it was bumpy and poor. "We were professional about it. We did a job."

Leo Roget was suffering with a tight back so Laurie Stewart partnered Lee Gledhill in the centre of Harlow's defence.

The visitors were given an early lift when they went ahead on five minutes.

A Dave Cowley corner from the left was deflected off a home defender at the far post and Steve Ferguson tapped home from a few yards out.

The Hawks had the edge in what was mostly a midfield battle.

Harlow were frustrated when Bertie Brayley was controversially flagged for offside on 25 minutes when the striker had a great chance to score.

On 63 minutes, Leon Antoine replaced Lee Roache and the move paid dividends two minutes later as the former set up Cowley who beat ex-Hawks player-manager Marvin Samuel before firing a shot from the right into the bottom left corner to put Harlow 2-0 up.

On 79 minutes, Ferguson shot just wide for Harlow.

Forest halved the deficit on 81 minutes. Stewart fouled a home player before Joshua Bonnett fired in a low free-kick past Hawks keeper James Hasell.

HARLOW TN: Hasell, Barnard (D. R Brown 54), Danny Brown, Gledhill, Stewart, Kilapi, Ferguson, Lalite, Brayley (Peagram), Roache (Antoine 63), Cowley. Sub not used: Marshall. Att: 72.

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Athletes move up UK rankings

Athletics

THE athletic talent of Harlow schoolchildren was shown as four excellent victories and two top UK rankings were claimed at a Chelmsford open meeting on Easter Saturday.

Twelve-year-old Mark Hall School student Canaan Solomon won the U-13 boys 800m in a personal best (PB) time of 2 mins 18.5 seconds, which ranks him third in the UK in his age group for this event.

St James School pupil and Harlow AC member Lewis Harknett, (10), ran an excellent PB of 1:51.0 to win the U-11 600m. He has now moved up to second in the UK U-11s for this event.

Meanwhile, Burnt Mill School pupils Perry Rowan, (14) and Jack Christy (14) respectively won the U-15 boys 1,500m (PB, 4:34) and the U-15 boys shot put (10.05m).

Zoe Benton moved to 6th in the UK rankings for the U-13 girls' 70m hurdles after a win in an open meeting at the Lee Valley Athletics Centre in Picketts Lock, North London. The 12-year-old St Nicholas pupil clocked 12.47s.

Golfer prizes

Golf

OUTGOING Canons Brook Golf Club captain Alan Howick rounded off his term in office by making two golfer of the year presentations.

Howick gave the men's and women's prizes respectively to Mark Bull and Rosemary Earl (a previous winner) at the Elizabeth Road club's annual meeting.

He then introduced the new captain Colin Godfrey.

Long-standing member Geoff Wright was elected Godfrey's vice-captain.

Another election that took place saw Ivor Marshall re-elected as club chairman for a further three years.

Webber of hope

Boxing

HARLOW ABC boxer William Webber (12) has won his first two fights.

He beat Jesse Harris, from Repton ABC in East London, on an unanimous points decision over three rounds at a boxing dinner show held at Harlow Greyhound Stadium.

This was after William stopped Dean Baxter (Chatteris ABC, Cambridgeshire) in the first round of a contest at Royston.

Baxter (12) was stopped after an early count before the ref stepped in to halt the contest completely after William threw a barrage of punches.

Both contests were at the U-48kg weight.

Stort change of venue

Angling

STORT Valley Angling Society had a change of venue to start their 2011 campaign.

A new lake in Weeley, Essex, was chosen by the Harlow club and a total weight of 174lbs 6ozs was netted.

Top rod on the day was Steve Beehan with 19lbs 14ozs.

Graham Taylor was runner-up, netting 16lbs 3ozs, just under one pound ahead of Bob Groom who claimed third place.

Top junior was Ryan Head.

HARLOW Greyhound Stadium tips for Friday April 29:- 7.30pm Lijon Classic; 7.45pm Broadway Diamond (NB); 8pm Benro Spot; 8.15pm Offshore Diva; 8.30pm Broadway Hades; 8.45pm Aggie Jo; 9pm Scandinavian Gal; 9.15pm Benro Princess; 9.30pm Come Back Girl; 9.45pm Black Blitz; 10pm Tam The Bam (NAP); 10.15pm Gold Eagle; 10.30pm Thurliesbeg Bolt.

Fitting finale as Hawks get best treatment

HAWKS physio Paul West-Hook is keeping the players in tip-top condition – thanks to the free service offered by a Harlow gym business.

Simply Fit Private Gym & Studio, based at Unit 63 Greenway Business Centre on Harlow Business Park, has been an ideal venue for the Harlow Town FC squad to

work out and rehabilitate under expert supervision from the gym's manager Karen Cook and the watchful eye of their own sports injury therapist.

The therapy suite offers Swedish and deep tissue massage. There is also a sports injury clinic and hot stone massage. "Simply Fit allows me to offer our



BOOST: The Harlow Town FC first team squad with members of the Simply Fit team (s)

players the complete package when it comes to diagnosis and the

treatment and rehabilitation of players injuries.

"Players will return from injury fitter and stronger, which could

be the difference in winning and losing games," said West-Hook.



SECOND BEST: Brooke Cranham and Joseph Arnold, right, with their silver medals (HSP0726365)

Silver medal hero on mend after GB injury

PASSMORES School student Joseph Arnold is on the mend after sustaining a freak injury which was at first thought to be a broken collar bone at the 2011 British Schools Judo Championships.

Brave Joseph (12) still came back with a silver medal from the Championships in Sheffield.

The Year 7 pupil was injured in the first of the three rounds, but battled through to gain the silver medal.

He was joined in Sheffield by fellow Passmores School premier division Brooke Cranham (14),

Judo

who also returned with a silver medal.

The Year 9 youngster narrowly missed out on the gold medal but defeated a much bigger girl with an Ippon throw in a 10-second round to gain the silver medal.

A school spokeswoman said: "Joseph thought he had a suspected broken collar bone at the time.

"Fortunately Joe's collar bone was not broken and he has made a full recovery.

"Passmores is rightly proud of both students."



THE WIZARD: Enter a darts competition at Harlow Greyhound Stadium and you could face former World Champion Simon Whitlock (s)

Wizard waits for victor

DARTS players can battle it out for the opportunity to play former World Champion, the Wizard of Oz Simon Whitlock at Harlow Greyhound Stadium.

Keen arrows throwers can enter then 2nd Red Dragon Harlow Darts Open, where the winner can play Whitlock for the chance to take home £1,200 prize money on May 28.

The winner of the open tournament is guaranteed £600 for winning, but that will be doubled to £1,200 by

beating Whitlock on the stage after the final (best of 9 legs).

A women's competition will also be staged with the victor also taking on Whitlock on the main stage.

If teams bring 10 players on the day, one plays free.

Pre-entry is £10 payment in advance on the day or £13 with free entry to the greyhound racing afterwards.

The action starts at 10.30am. To enter, contact Gary Brown on 07950564072 or at garybrown@hotmail.com



ENDING ON A HIGH? The Alemite Athletic team, back from left, Andy Bean, Danny Coombs, Jamie Gordon, Adam Dolby, Simon Hewitt, Nathan Blake, Ricky Cook, James Thomas, Tony James, Peter Lucia (manager). Front from left, Nial Boland, Stuart Grieves, Andrew Newman, Brad Devonshire, Scott Poole, Tony Fry, Louis Davis. Mascots, from left, Jack Gordon, Aaron Thomas, Jack Thomas

Alemite close gap at top

Football

ALEMITE Athletic edged Saturday's seven-goal thriller at Heath Rovers to close the gap on Footprint Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District Football League premier division leaders North Weald.

Max-Francis Johnson, Flynn Cumming and David Maslen replied.

Alemite were handed a home win over Hatfield Heath on Monday. Hatfield could not field a side.

Alemite are three points behind Weald with a game in hand.

Peter Lucia's side will be

hoping to end the season with the title after disappointment in the Premier Division Cup final with a 2-1 defeat to Heath Rovers.

Alemite were also thrown out of the Essex Junior Cup after reaching the final.

The Harlow-based team had fielded Gavin Cockman in five matches.

Sunday league sides are only allowed to play senior players for four games in this competition in a season. Cockman had already

played for Takeley and Waltham Abbey this season. In division one, mid-table Hatfield Heath reserves thrashed lowly Thorley Park 5-0 at home courtesy of a Gary Owen hat-trick and goals from Ben Godleman and Niel Churchill.

Heath Rovers reserves kept their division two title hopes alive with a 4-2 home win over Potter Street. Alex Bright (2), Nicky Haynes and Jack Ball were on target for the hosts.

Other results: - div one Alemite Aths res 4, North Weald res 1; Sheering res 2 (Tom Cozens 2), Herts Rangers 2.

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We Need a win!

Supporters' award goes to Cowley

DAVE Cowley's consistency and skill for Harlow Town was recognised when he was presented with the Supporters' Player of the Year award.

The 23-year-old midfielder was presented with the trophy by long standing fan Mick Long, who travels to games from his home in Dorset, after Harlow's 1-1 home draw against Ware in Ryman division one north on Easter Monday.

Cowley was a popular choice and it was richly deserved for his displays this season.

Since he joined in September, the former Grays Athletic player has caught the eye with his dribbling and eye for a pass, quickly establishing him as a fans' favourite.

Cowley, who lives in Ridgeway on the Church Langley in Harlow, told the Star: "I'm very happy to get the supporters award."

"It's special to get this award from the fans as they are the ones who come to see you week in and week out."

He added: "To get this award after getting into the play-offs is a bonus. The team have been great as well."



FLAIR: Dave Cowley's fantastic displays earned him the Supporters' Player of the Year award (HSP0731043)

Cowley is well known in the community and coaches football at Church Langley Primary School.

Cowley, who attended school at St Mark's in Harlow, was previously at West Ham United but when he was freed as an apprentice he was given a second chance to make it as a professional and was a member of the

Glenn Hoddle Academy in Spain for a year.

Cowley then joined Spanish club Real Club Recreativo de Huelva, near Seville, on a two-year contract. He played three games in a year before coming back to this country last summer.

He has also previously played for League Two Southend United.

Boss desperate for third-place finish

HAWKS boss Danny Chapman is confident his side can clinch the win they need at Needham Market this Saturday to gain third place and vital home advantage for the semi-final stage of the play-offs.

Harlow Town will go into their final league game in two days' time in third spot in Ryman League division one north, just a point ahead of fourth-placed Brentwood Town and fifth-placed Finchley who play each other.

Harlow secured a play-off place when they drew 1-1 with neighbours Ware on Easter Monday.

The Hawks can guarantee third spot if both of Saturday's matches end in draws.

But Chapman wants victory to

By DAVID RIMMER

ensure Harlow do not have to worry about results elsewhere – and deliver a psychological play-off blow to their Suffolk hosts.

If Harlow finish fourth or fifth they will be away in the semi-final stage of the play-offs.

The semi-finals take place on Tuesday.

The worst scenario would be Harlow finishing fifth as they would face a second long trip to Needham, just north of Ipswich, in the space of four days.

Chapman, top, believes a home draw would reward the fans who stuck by Harlow after last season's financial problems when the Hawks finished bottom of division one north and narrowly missed out on dropping down to the Essex Senior League.

"A home draw [in the play-off semi-final] will be great for the club and it can give you a lift," said the Hawks boss.

"We would prefer not to go to Needham on a Tuesday evening but we will do what we have to do if we have to go away."

"Needham are second in the league and you do not get that by luck."

"It's an important game and we want to go and win it."

He added: "The tables do not show it, though if we look back to January until now we have the form. I am quietly confident we can beat anybody."

Chapman is also confident his players will step up to the plate and deliver play-off victory.

He added: "My players have experience in either pro football or higher levels of non-League football. They will be focused and their attitude will be spot on."

Central defender Lee Gledhill (hamstring) missed Harlow's game against Ware but Chapman said: "He should be fine for Saturday."

Early exit in League Cup for poor Harlow

A POOR start to the competitive season was made by Harlow as they were knocked out of the Shepherd Neame League Cup by division two rivals Leigh-on-Sea.

Harlow fielded first at Marigolds on Saturday and were lifted when Andrew McGarry and new all-rounder Haris Afridi respectively removed openers Damian Liston and Stuart Elliott for 11 apiece.

Three visitors' batsmen then scored more than 20 each.

But it needed good knocks from number seven Billy King (36 not out) and number eight Sean Elliott (40 not out) to ensure the visitors reached a good score of 238-6 from 40 overs.

Leigh-on-Sea 238-6, Harlow 177-9

Harlow lost by 61 runs
Shepherd Neame Essex League Cup, first round

Skipper Luke Heskett (2-25) and Luke Monger (2-42) were Harlow's chief wicket takers.

Facing a target of almost six an over, Harlow were up against it after losing opener Monger for 3 and ace batsman Ahmed Khawaja for 8.

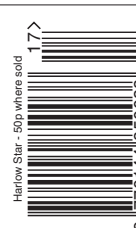
Rehman Ahmed (49), Afridi (37) and new batsman Brian Kulasena (35) all offered resistance before the later order batsmen succumbed fairly quickly.

Harlow finished on 177-9 from 30.1 overs.



NEW SIGNINGS:

Haris Afrida (HSP0730730), left, and Brian Kulasena (HSP0730727), far left, who both made their competitive Harlow debuts at the weekend



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